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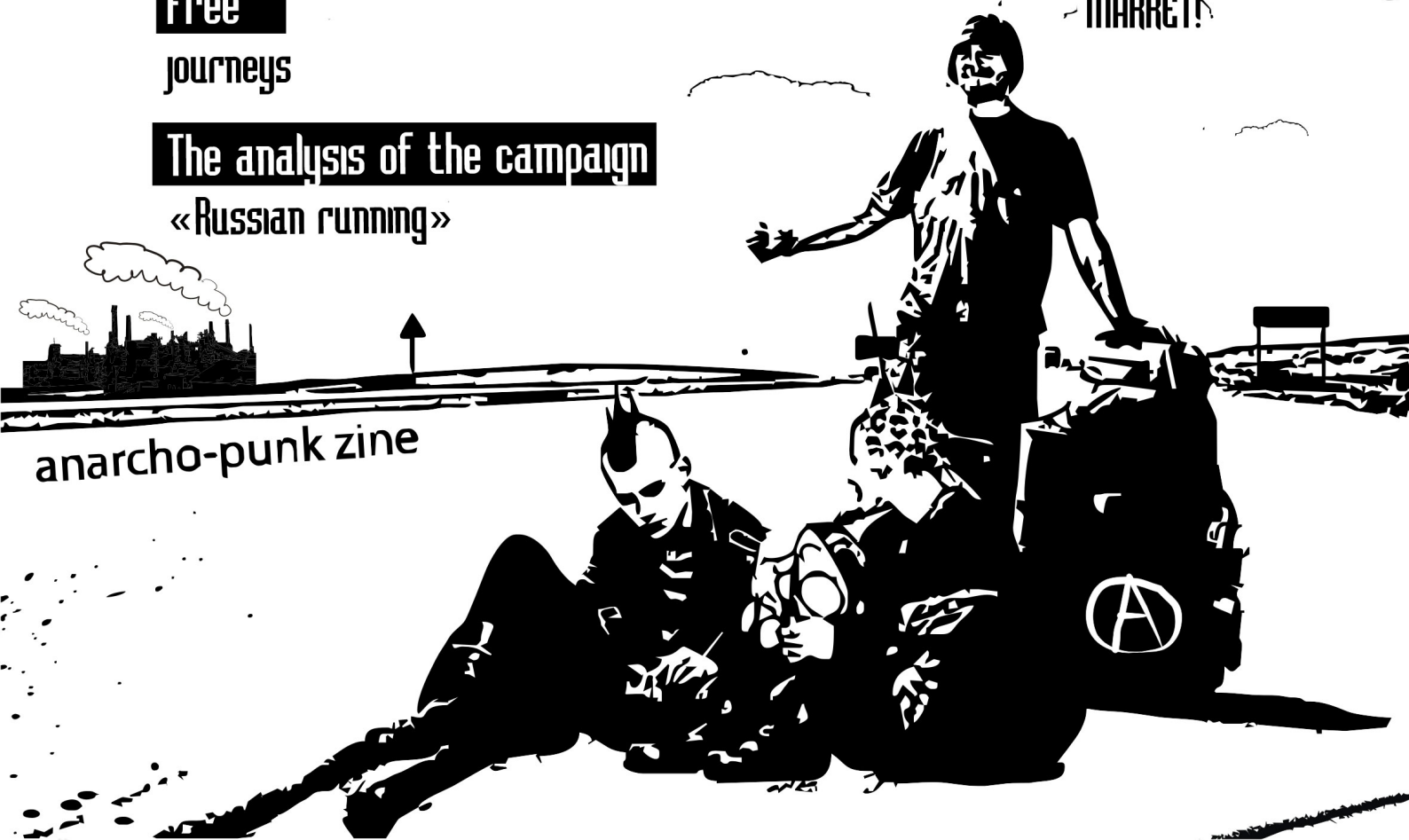
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«We do not need sympathizers. We do not need someone who like our magazine. We do not need people who carry it in a backpack. We need those people who are walking with us nip and tuck. We need people who are ready to speak. We need those who carry our thoughts in their minds and our ideas in their hearts. Boys and girls are getting ready to uprising».



INTRO

Hello, activists, and everyone who just getting train!) This number took away from us much time and efforts as never before, which is why we delayed twice its exit, but (independently of whether you're waiting it out, helped to create it or never heard about) PunkWay zine # 6 is in front of you. This time the magazine was released in two versions: Russian and English. The English version made in order to make zine became more interesting in a way of unite all punks who knows English and free-thinking people from all over the world to share experiences and works at the following edition of zine. Does it sound as a great idea? Let's see what will happen...) And now read reports that shares events, tips, a lot of theory, creativity and a lot of practice from the activists from the CIS countries!

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Introduction

When I was a young man, I refused to recite the oath of allegiance to the flag. Of course I was sent to the principal's office, who asked: «Why do not you take an oath of loyalty? Everyone do it!» I answered, «Once upon a time everyone believed that the Earth is flat - it did not make it so! The achievements of our country has an obligation to other cultures and nations, and I would prefer to take an oath of fidelity to Earth and its inhabitants».

Zeitgeist 3

News



«I see huge masses of young people here. They wear T-shirts with Che Guevara picture or Anarchy logo and they really understand the meaning of these symbols. Industrial actions and street fights create a new generation of indignant people. They feel that there is no future for them with this system»

- about Greece events

Direct action

A small and incomplete chronic of “straight action” actions from <http://www.blackblog.info/>

April, 28: A personal “Hummer” of a policeman was destroyed

April, 29: A car of an prosecutor's official was burnt

May, 1: An office of the “United Party of Crooks and Thieves” was burnt in Bratsk

May, 1: A luxurious jeep was burned in Tula

May, 1: Federal Security Department's employee's vehicle was destroyed on the west of Moscow

May, 1: An recruitment office was set afire in Moscow

May, 3: An explosion occurred near a police department in Moscow

May, 3: “Harvester” was burnt in the Khimki forest

May, 16: A courthouse was set afire in Minsk

May, 18: A police car was completely burnt in Moscow

June, 1: An office of the “United Party of Crooks and Thieves” was set afire in Tyumen

June, 2: Loggers camp was set afire at the Khimki forest

June, 9: Anonymous smashed private parking where

pricey cars were placed

June, 16: Some costly cars were set afire at the central of Moscow

June, 19: A dozer was set on fire at Khimki forest

June, 21: Blast of the car market Toyota/Lexus on Rublevka as an solidarity action to anarchist Luciano Pitronello Schuffeneger

June, 22: Earth Liberation Front (ELF) destroyed cottage of capitalists, who ruin nature near Moscow

June, 23: Police post was set afire in Moscow

July, 6: Police department was set on fire in Moscow

Just a bit about reasons of “straight action”: «They are aimed to inspire other people on radical fight and revolt, mass people's actions is the only way to struck the governmental system and replace it with justified socio-economic system. Any deed taken as it is – no matter if it is radical or not – meaningless, it does not create any instability, but it makes sense and may

Khimki forest



At the 2nd of July “combat actions” in the Khimki forest resumed. Forest defenders blocked out building in two places, barricading technique with their bodies. Complete success was achieved on one of the fields – technique was blocked there all day long and after 4pm excavation machine and dozer went off. However, cruel collisions occurred near an old pioneer camp, where ecological camp is situated since the 4th of May. Nature is destroyed by mulchers there and this causes much attention.

Around 10pm guards of illegal deforestation provoked a fight with activists and journalists, smashing faces to blood and knocking out teeth. When arrived, police became demanding papers from ecologists, instead of arresting criminals.

But on the 3rd of July members of forest-protecting camps resumed continued blocking technique. About 2pm they have got to mulcher. Though, some people got serious injuries: one woman has a huge branch fallen over her, one man’s chest was injured and another seems to be having a broken leg.

Source and additional information: <http://ecmo.ru/>

Khimki hostages



“Khimki hostages” were sentenced at the 24th of June. Antifascist Aleksey Gaskarov was justified due to lack of crime evidence. Aleksey came to cover the action against the administration of Khimki just as a reporter of the institute “Collective action”. Another defendant, Maxim Solopov, was turned to be guilty as a hooligan (all proofs were concocted) and he was sentenced to two years of probation.

Third suspected person – Russian antifascist Denis Solopov was arrested on 2nd of March in Kiev and he is holding under arrest there now. On the 4th of April Kiev’s courthouse decided to apply an extradition arrest. This means that Denis will be under arrest until the decision about his extradition. From the words of Solopov’s attorney we know that the court hasn’t accepted arguments that Denis has got a mandate refugee status before the arrest. Furthermore, the decision about denial of refugee status at Ukraine is appealed now. On the 31th of May the court extended the duration of Solopov’s arrest up to 2 months.

More at <http://khimkibattle.org/>

Nizhniy Novgorod

Nowadays, center’s of counteraction to extremism staff fabricate a criminal case against antifascist Artyom Bystrov, arrested on the 26th of April. He is accused of violation of art.213.2 (hooliganism made by a couple of people with pre-collusion based on hostility or hatred against some social group). Remarkable, that the victim – nationalist Red’kin has no claims to arrested Artyom and refuses going on confrontations. Furthermore, the case was initiated 7 months after the incident by pressuring the victim. Policemen break all the rules of investigation, lots of facts are falsified. For example, during the search in suspects’ rooms, membership cards of nonexistent party “RASH-Antifa” were threw up to the suspects.

The 24th - 26th of June were the days of united actions towards support of antifascists of Nyzhniy Novgorod.

Penza



In the beginning of April a wave of repressions against anarchists and social activists on the side of state structures (CPE, the FSB, police station) swept across Russia. Also in Penza, a series of searches and arrests. Now there is an investigation of two cases. First one is connected with anti-fascist activity of comrades (Art. 213 of the Criminal Code, part 2), second one is connected with the burning of the military enlistment office and the police station by the group of unknown persons (Art. 281 of the Criminal Code, part 2, Art. 30 Criminal Code). Mint of money is needed for lawyers that suspects are unable to find themselves. Please help! You help today – tomorrow they help you! Yandex.money: 410011028157413

Group at V Kontakte as extremism



Prosecutor of the Republic of Tatarstan in assistance with workers of the center of counteraction to extremism has been found Internet-group at V Kontakte named “Autonomous action (Kazan)”. While scanning the group’s pages was found web-link to the site of unregistered organization “Autonomous action”. While search actions was found that this page’s user is 24-year-old resident of Kazan. He was worried that in case of incite hatred or hostility by belonging to any social group committed publicly or through mass-media he’ll be prosecuted under Article of incite hatred or hostility same as humiliation of human dignity.

<http://www.evening-kazan.ru/kazanskogo-polzovatelya-resursa-v-kontakte-predupredili-o-nedopustimosti-osuschestvleniya-ekstremistskoy-deyatelnosti.html>

Belorussia

Silent meetings



The third of July, on the day of celebrating independence of government and the president of the people a part of Belorussians tried to organize national protest action. But because of the fact that in country lately there is a lack of true justice it inevitably results in political repressions against the ones who tries to oppose the ruling regime. The third of July Belorussians fixed one humiliating and deplorable fact made by Lukashenko’s regime against people. After Sunday events Belorussian state besides economical debts now also has got a moral duty to society that can not be repaid.

Mass arrests on the third of July have shown all scale of abyss between the people and power. And unwarranted violence from the police can only increase the scale of protests, so the experts say.

In Belorussia during the silent protest on independence day more than 400 people were arrested. According to human rights defenders’ info, about 210 people were arrested in Minsk and about 90 in regions. In Minsk people have been arresting in the morning, during the parade and in the evening on Privokzalnaya square.

Some time later Belorussian opposition began internet hunting for Special Forces soldiers in civilian which were beating participants of protest on Independence Day. There was created a special website – Posobniki.com – titled “dossier of the Belorussian fascism supporters”.

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Belorussian anarchists: severe sentences



Predictably severe sentences were promoted to Belorussian anarchists. On charges of direct action series: burning of BelarusBank, Belorussian trade unions, KGB headquarters in Bobruisk, Russian embassy etc., and also on charges of attack on the General Staff of Belorussia and elite casino Shangri-La captives of the dictatorship got:

Igor Olinevich – 8 years of strict regime
Evgeniy Vaskovich – 7 years of strict regime
Pavel Siyromolotov – 7 years of strict regime
Artyom Prokopenko – 7 years of strict regime
Nikolay Dedok – 4.5 years of strict regime
Alexandr Frantzkevich – 3 years of strict regime

Milder sentences were promoted to grasses “repented” in what they did and provided evidence against their comrades: Maksim Vetkin – 4 years of settlement colony, Evgeniy Silivonchik – 1,5 year. Also substantial assistance to executors is given by convicts’ comrades – Junes Akdif and Zakhar Konofalskiy.

Greece



The 29 of June in Greek Parliament was held voting on the new plan of “extreme economy” which was coordinated by social-democratic government, IMF and EU. It includes another tax increase, privatization to foreign companies, massive layoffs in the public sector, reduction of pension etc. State budget will be cut by 28.5 billion euro by 2015. To protest the planned measures, which would destroy the workers’ and the pensioners’ rights, put the poor to the edge of starvation and bring the youth and the unemployed to despair, Greek labor unions declared 48-hour strike. Railway communication stopped, banks, enterprise didn’t work, clinics worked only in

critical causes. Thousands of people came to the street and protested in front of the Parliament, trying to make Mps hear the voice of nation.

First day chronicles: <http://avtonom.org/freenews/khronika-pervogo-dnya-vseobshchei-zabastovki-v-gretsii-28-iyunya>

Second day chronicles: <http://avtonom.org/freenews/vtoroi-den-vseobshchei-zabastovki-v-gretsii-blokada-parlamenta>

In spite of this, economy and budget cutting measures were accepted.

Greek army supports the protestants: <http://aftershock-1.livejournal.com/275053.html>

Tunis

“Our revolution wasn’t happy and many people agree with it.” - says Amel Hamruni, Tunisian singer, going for election as independent candidature. “There were no mass celebrations of victory ‘cause after Ben Ali escaped there was immediately introduced curfew to stop his supporters’ violence. During last months weak and rival governments were changing one another. Political suspense is in the air. Post-revolutionary revival hasn’t began still.”



“The problem is that old regime didn’t go anywhere.” - says Muhtar Yahyavi, judge and human rights activist, and also a member of the Revolution Defense Council. “Businessmen, who worked with Ben Ali are still active – they are financing new parties. People from the party of Ben Ali are still connected with the power. Political system is not reformed the same as Judicial. Thought, in comparison with what has been four months ago, today we have a long way behind. So I hope we’ll go even longer.”

“Tunis doesn’t know where he goes – says blogger Bugera – but it knows from where he came and not going to come back.”

Look more: <http://liva.com.ua/wait-celebrate-democracy-revolution.html>

#anonymous



«People all over the world, let me introduce myself as Anonymous, and just as anonymous as I am by no more than an idea. The idea of the free world without any oppression. Without poverty and murder by tyrannical rule. No hopelessness and genocide. A world where freedom is the true purpose and priority of a lifetime, without limitation by corrupt regimes».

People began to unite, but do not stand under any banner, just for the sake of a common goal. For example, after freezing the accounts Wikileaks, the aim was to take revenge against those who did it. There have been numerous DDoS attacks on websites and MasterCard PayPal

In general, it could have on this and end the scandal of Wikileaks is a little faded and were replaced by new problems, but the Anonymus did not disappear and began to review their methods of struggle. In fact, stopping the operation of some websites will not achieve much. Anonymus conducted a reconnaissance and identified important goals, which should be directed force. To Anonymus started to join not students and fans of multiplayer online games, which could only make no longer than DDoS attack , but professionals in IT, who could use their knowledge to hack into private computer networks and gain access to confidential information, hackers. Today we know just about one of that kind of group calls Lulz Security, all that they crack and extracted, they spread here. It should be understood that Anonymous is not a static community groups , they can vary and there may be a lot of them. Openly declared its support for Anonymus Lulz Security no longer is anonymous and just decided to gather up all cuffs from the authorities for the other get an opportunity to operate covertly.

Soon the two events coincided. The first event: the massive demonstrations in Greece and Spain, where people put forward the idea of electronic direct democracy (which I wrote earlier in the cycle of 5 articles), in general, people are dissatisfied with politics in general and as such stand for the transfer of power people, as well as against the existing forms of capitalism and social inequality. The second event: the numerous attacks on various corporations, banks, government agencies and even personal sites politicians. Was declared a so-called «Operation Payback». It is obvious that these events have much in common, is seen as gradually activated in response to public outrage, a violation of the rights and freedoms of people. Thus Anonymous for direct democracy, which is logical, because in general it is anonymous and there are people, and direct democracy gives power to the people. And as for the majority of citizens, they expressed their attitude to the hackers attack on euronews site, which sometimes likes to invent and do not tell about some things, by the way.

At this until all, further developments watch their eyes, or even participate in them, because the phenomenon of Anonymous can participate on equal terms each, as in this free society.

More details: <http://cyber-genius100.livejournal.com/3421.html>

[THOUGHTS!] No extremes

I believe there are some things that are clear to everybody, especially to anarchists. For example:

- Working for somebody and getting salary that is lower than deserved is not fair. Besides, if a person is exploited or exploits someone, it means that he/she supports capitalism contradicting our ideals of better society.
- Fascism is a social disease that directly depends on existence of the capitalistic system. We must resist this ideology and its followers – neonazis – differently: both physically and morally.
- Other people's freedom should be respected, including freedom of our beloved. Institution of marriage is an official thing, which is not necessary for good relationships between people.
- Unfortunately, the majority is indifferent today, while people must resist injuries and negative social phenomena of nowadays.
- Anarchism is an ideology which is against state as such.
- We should not forget about animal liberation, and vegetarianism/veganism is one of the ways to save animals.

All listed ideas are good and they are becoming understood by more and more people. But people often run to extremes even without noticing this. Although, the received information should be well considered! For example, some punks oversimplify the idea of inadmissibility of exploitation and they consider it just as “work=evil”, and as a result, they become sluggish and lazy people who spend their parents' money. The other extreme of this case appears when a person gives oneself to his/her job and just has no time for social activities or something else.

Resistance to neonazis often meets extremes, too. Some are sure that bashing fascists is the only way to do away with them, and that other anti-fascist activities are useless. The others, on the contrary, believe that fascism must not be resisted violently despite the fact that they continue bashing and even killing our friends...

Unacceptance of the institution of marriage is often considered wrong, too. Unfortunately, many punks take it as leading or dissolute life.

Another example is straight edgers' behavior: some of them condemn and even bash people who drink, although they have not been straight edgers for always.



Concerning vegans, sometimes they are so worried about the composition of what they eat, that they forget about other aspects of anarchist movement.

Also, many anarchists (especially very young) often call like-minded people to momentary revolts, so more experienced anarchist scoff at them. As a result, these young activists disappoint in modern anarchist movement. But they just should thoroughly study the anarchist ideology and methods of resistance before making proposals about changing the social system. Externalism is another thing that should not be.

Unfortunately, extremes are very frequent today – in direct action, in anarchist reformism... Extremes provoke argument instead of analysis. And many examples can be made here.

To sum up, I'd like to say that the wiser people are the fewer extremes they run to. This often depends on your age, but I hope, you don't need several years to begin to act more cleverly and to refuse extremes. I hope I can refuse them, too...

Миха'nick

Obvious and impossible

What is democracy about? It seems everyone knows what it is. And now let's try to find out what it is.

«The power of people» - a guy from the crowd would say. Well, yeah, one time per four years we'll bring up our arse to vote for a man who will be leading us to a happy shiny future. That's a good thing that the high leader position is all that warm and full, there will be lot of people wanting to take it, so the selection will be wide enough. Capitalistic society is all about the widest selection: hundreds of beer brands, thousands of marvel powders, with which you could wash out anything, tons of food, anything. The dream society.

Well.

The choice is done, the paper with your sign and a chosen one was dropped to the voting bin. Then - the counting of all that so important papers scraps, the result



announcing, inauguration, the oath to bring the Country up from the knees, blah blah blah. A year passes. And you sit again near your TV (well, or near your PC surfing the web, or whatever), and insult that fat bastard for shitting on the leftovers of the country and so on.

The democracy for lawyers (one of which I am) is defined like: «Democracy (from «rule of the people», Greek) is a form of political society organisation, that is formed on the basis of recognition the demos as a power source, its right to take a part in the state cases and in vesting the citizens a lot of rights and freedoms».

Well, great, I love that country, it gives me a great choice of rights and freedoms, all hail the democracy thing!

And here comes the feeling.. From somewhere inside. At first you do not want to recognize it, but then it just slips into your mind box, and slaps it unpleasantly: «Why do our lives suck so much?»

And the answer comes: «Well, that fat bastards have promised us, and just have fooled us once more» Guys with external locus of control will stop here. The problem is solved, we found someone to blame. All the troubles come from that fat, sneaky, cheating political rats. «*One human can be fooled many times. Many people can be fooled once. But you can not fool many people more than once*» (Bob Marley)

But there is another group of people, who would at their own risk think more and come to the logical and obvious question: who has chosen those politicians?

Some slacking guys will just say: all elections are faked, everyone knew in advance who would be chosen, and there is no reason to visit an election event. And only the most crazy and fearless people will ask themselves:

«What have I done to change the situation?»

The thing that has shocked me most of all within the Russian public is the unlimited patience and the willing to be not the subject, but just an object: one could say, «Everything will be just like the master has said». - Here we go. I can not blame the bondmen of the 19th century for allowing the trampling of democracy basics, but there is one huge «BUT»:

WE are NOT the bondmen.

After you'll deliberate the above text, I want to ask a question: Why we, free people, who choose its government over the straight election process (in contrast to the world most democratic country, USA) are always unsatisfied with our masters. All the time it does something wrong, goes somewhere different from what it should, or is doing it way too slow. Let's look over the government concept. The office of some politician flows up in mind, with heavy oak table, and a flag on the wall. Then the image of that politician comes up, running over the counter road stripe on his brand new car, with buzzer turned on. He drives breaking all the highway code, going to some glamour place to spend all the money stolen from the willing horse, gets some chicks and is having fun with them.

The power is the ability to force the will of the first subject to the second. «That's right. They increase taxes, enact the laws handy for them», - the guy will say.

Stop. Let's get back to the democracy concept, which ideals are being protected so hardly by ourselves: «The source and the only carrier of the power is demos!»

Maybe the government is just the same source?

Mihail Krasnoglyadov

How..?

How ..? How to change things for the better? To demonstrate all negative manifestations of humanity? Social advertising, movies about ecology, life of various layers of the society, TV shows, serials which are close to the real life, personal interviews, a lot of online movies, articles, books, pictures, presentations, reels...?! May be it was too much of them (which is unlikely, though it is the place to be. Because of the large amount of negativity from everywhere - all the tragedies are becoming commonplace), or all these methods are not effective?

It is good to be well-informed about those things, but this is often not enough to unlock the life cycle of indifference that is leading to indifference to yourself, to your health, and total indifference to everything else.

For example, do you know at least one smoker who stops smoking after having seen a social advertisement? I – do not. Often it is perceived with irony. Of course, something is left in your mind, but it's not enough... There are people who get some knowledge about the negative side of something, stop doing it. But soon they start it again. Information is presented (and how much! In our age of information!) but with no results. And indeed this kind of propaganda is boring or infuriates so much that stops being perceived at the very beginning. More often it turns out that people who haven't these bad habits begin to mock those who have it.

May be it is worth making fun of people's negative features?! Heaps of comics, comedy performances and blah-blah-blah. Just for having fun and then being forgotten, ignoring that in the mirror we are hardly better than the cattle ridiculed a minute ago. It was said somewhere: the cattle is never you.

There is a viewpoint that your attitude to life depends on what you pay attention to. If you ponder over all the bad things that happen in your personal life, in the street, in the country, in the world, read news and other similar sources of information - the life will be sad. It is worth thinking about the positive features of the world (which is enough, I should say) and the life will be colorful and positive. After all, we all want to live happily, right? But in this case it doesn't mean that such things as injustice, war etc. stop existing. But it is strange enough that most people accept this point of view, rather inadvertently. Can we condemn those people? Our society unwillingly takes such position. Most information in the world is made with the appropriate content, or rather without it. (In a next conversation in the kitchen don't forget

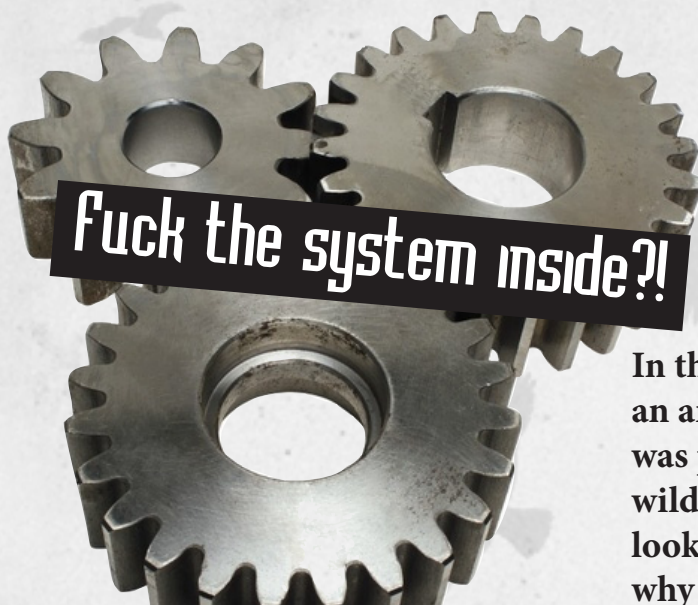


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to mention about everyone's indifference, and about the world that can't be changed.) Although it is worth remembering that people are different and often correspond something between the two extremes of indifference and passive anxiety.

For people with undefined political position this kind of propaganda has a certain effect, helps to liberalize, to fill the gaps in knowledge and then to choose the right way in their lives. But nowadays it sounds too marginal. Usually it's just not essential for those who really need it. People have no sense of humanity, no ideals. Everyone wants to reach a success and make a deposit to the betterment of the world, but very few people think about it. Everyone has a desire to be successful, but lack to think, to choose the alternative variants of behavior. You'll never change your life and do not get rid of bad habits unless you think: Why do I have to do it? And what are the alternatives? We have to think independently. No one will teach you this ability, you must make it by yourself. With the ability to think comes the ability to act. And the best propaganda is your personal example.

Миха'nick



Fuck the system inside?!

In the last edition of «Punxunite zine №4» an article called «Fuck the system inside» was published, and with the idea of which we wildly disagree. That's why we've decided to look into the idea in fool details and explain why it's senseless:

In this article I would like to look better and more widely at the important for all problem of how to change the system. I will not write how to achieve an anarchy and blow up the white house, just a different perspective on the problem.

Just imagine: you're at a meeting near the court where our security forces are trying to imprison an innocent person. Yes, you're up against! You are indignant, smear power, the cops, as well as you express full support to the accused or the convicted person. Yes, that's right. If you feel you need to do it, do it. But is there effect in this?

Anti-System: The effect is directly dependent on the number of participants involved in the public campaign. That is, you need not think in the spirit of «I will be the cop, I will be Uncle Styopa», but by all the forces to strive to bring our point of view about this or that fact of lawlessness on the part of the system to the public. Need to attract people to participate in the same meetings and protests. Experience in Europe, the Arab states and even Russia shows that the power to be reckoned with the mass protests of the population. For example, including protests of the opponents of the cops's outrage influenced on the verdict to all known Seva Ostapov (who actually had a chance to get a prison sentence but «escaped» by probation). So my response to these words, yes, there is an effect.

In fact it's the same shooting in the air. Yes you glad, you feel that you are doing very useful things, but the authorities don't care. He will be also convicted, you can't influence on this. The judge, court, prosecutors, etc. will not listen to you and you will not be able to change the process this way. Yes, the local press possibly will write about you or TV will show the clip, and then everything will end. But it will be possible to change it, how? The answer is simple. To become a member of the

judiciary. Assistant of judge, lawyer, prosecutor and eventually a judge...

Anti-System: IMHO, the author of this statement doesn't quite understand how the modern judicial system works. But the fact is that uncomfortable people (there are very few, but they are) of structures such as courts, police and etc., representatives of these organizations are trying in every possible way to clean and remove from cases. The system, as the body tries to eliminate everyone who does not fit into it. In fact, in front of an honest man becomes a choice – either become a bitch, or go to work somewhere else on their own. By the way, I haven't considered the obvious fact that all the above does not correspond to the ideas of anarchism. Personally, I am a supporter of libertarian beliefs, and I wish not only to do redecorating the building which it is high time to take down, and I want to destroy it, because in fact there are two outputs – destroy the old, clearing by this way a place for construction of the new, or we all die under debris of emergency construction. In the second case, the victims will be much more. I note separately that all said by me concerns the job of the investigator, judge etc. It is unacceptable to work in the repressive structures of the state system for self-respecting person. But the work of a lawyer is quite possible, and these people really need.

*It is impossible – not at all. What is this worse than chants and accusations on the Internet that all are purchased. Becoming a lawyer you can protect people and offer them your help (**Anti-System:** I don't argue. Although it depends on who is defended. The best option is working for social affairs in the spirit of Markelov). Becoming a judge to influence the decisions and act in conformity with the norms of living and don't jail innocent people. (**Anti-System:***

by becoming a judge, you will be guided by not the concepts of justice but by the laws which the ruling elite uses to control the masses. Is it needless to say that the laws are generally accepted not in the public interest?). *Yes, there are the laws and you will have to comply them, but you can not take bribes and to do so as necessary.* (**Anti-System:** a it is necessary, or as the president and the parliamentarians have defined?) *There are many nuances and it is better to learn about them separately.* (**Anti-System:** It's obvious that we



shouldn't engage in such nonsense).

There is an another example. The teacher, it is a good and necessary profession. But many people are not satisfied with the quality of education. It is boring and uninteresting for children to listen to the Soviet people which boring tell the same thing and say at this mass of useless information. Becoming a teacher you can make the education process more interesting by making of your lesson a celebration and deliver information to children in more simple language. This is true in general for many professions. Do you want the treatment would be better – become a doctor, save lives and help people. Become a veterinarian and help animals. This is a wonderful professions, and it will be pleased for yourself, and surrounding you friends, and just strangers will be happy for you.

Anti-System: Oa correction – in the case of this examples it is possible to change something only at the grassroots level. A lot will not be able to fix, because in any hierarchical system all key decisions are taken from the top. That is, working a teacher you have no way to change the educational program, as well as a

doctor – to achieve provision of your hospital with all necessary. This is, again, the global issue. And all these problems are unsolvable without a social revolution, without achieving a decentralized society of direct democracy).

How can the system be changed? The same judges may amend the legislation by proposing. (**Anti-System:** Generally any citizens of the state can offer the same. What goes with these proposals, in fact, I think, no need to explain), *change many affairs. Even if to assume that you have become a deputy and you can already change a life. To help people in your district, to put pressure on authorities and services who refuse to help people in their lives.* (**Anti-System:** if you want to put pressure on government agencies and services, then for this is not necessarily going to work a deputy, moreover, it does not require to solve this problem. And in general, we should strive to self-organization and to solving of the problems without the involvement of state structures, in many cases it is possible even now. And it is possible to affect a decision on those same politicians by the same shows of protest and public debate on important issues of society, if so there is no possibility to change anything cardinally yet). *At the same time to look for a lot of cousins and friends ready to help you. These can always be found.*

And you'll be on top and be able to change something. I propose such an alternative and I am ready to do so, and I'll try to do this after graduation and a change of a job. Yes, someone will be glue the leaflets, confront bones, organize meetings and concerts. You need to live with this and welcome it. But you will be a prominent person and get on TV (**Anti-system:** in most cases, the media garbles any information relating to the protest ideas. So you should strive not light up on TV or in newspapers, but use the Internet to convey your views to the public. And personal, direct contact with persons has not been canceled. Such as the concept of creating your own media, oriented not on the inner circle of supporters, but on the broad masses of people. Herewith, if there is an opportunity to speak in a bourgeois newspaper or on TV, you can take this case, but it is not necessary to place primary emphasis on this)...*Yes, television is terrible, but it has the impact. You will be able to say much, to express dissatisfaction by power, prices, to speak out against racism and Nazism.* (**Anti-System:** All the major media are subject to censorship. In authoritarian countries such as Russia it is the state censorship. In «democratic» countries it is the internal censorship, from the media owner). *Yes, this all can be done.*

(**Anti-system:** it is possible, but why?) *Is not the fact that you will be shown, possibly after this transfer you will be beaten and no one will hear about you more, but believe me, it's not so bad. To be silent is worse.* (**Anti-System:** You should not be silent, but should to act, examples of possible actions are in the comments I quoted above). *How many people will hear you at the meeting?* (**Anti-System:** Watching how many people will come to the meeting, watching how many people will read the report about the action in the Internet. It is necessary to expand the sphere of influence on society through our own channels, and not integrate into the power or the bourgeois media) *It is seldom happens that a lot of. On TV they will be more in any case.* (**Anti-System:** Yeah, you just will not be shown on TV, if you try to say something really serious and important). *Be bold. We are brainwashed by the media and TV. So why we can't send this weapon against the government.* (**Anti-System:** because not idiots work in the power structures. And the capitalists-Media Owners also don't need the real criticism of the system. And it is not beneficial for them. So there is only way – to develop our media). *It has the effect so let it be in our hands. You can do spam on the network sending some newspaper, many people will remove it, but someone will read.*

What, this is scary? To go into power (**Anti-system:** one has already gone, his surname is Isaev. Now he is one of the main propagandists of the Unified Russia), *or on TV, in the state institutions in this whole routine,*

and these barriers. It is even more frightening to go to the police station, where you can become a full cattle for a couple of years. (**Anti-system:** there is an another option – to leave this job after a couple of years). *But who did say it will be easy? Yes, you can fail, can be bent under the system or not to get there. But we must try!* (**Anti-system:** The author couldn't adequately argue and prove that it is really necessary and will give something) *It is not less madly than to throw a Molotov cocktail in special police squad or to fight with bones after the concert. Everything depends on us. How was Troy captured? It was cunningly, using the horse.* (**Anti-system:** The history, perhaps, doesn't know options of the crash of the authoritarian and totalitarian regimes by sabotage from the inside. And cases of significant, fundamental social changes made by the reforms, too). *And the slaves gave Rome, and there are plenty of examples of fortresses. Ahead didn't work out, so all went to the trick. Look cartoon "War Tanuki" if you doubt, there you can with fun and interest to watch the confrontation of humans and animals.*

The article is contradictory, but it is one of the opinions, think about this.

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Recommend!



Into the Wild (2007)

After graduating from Emory University, top student and athlete Christopher McCandless abandons his possessions, gives his entire \$24,000 savings account to charity and hitchhikes to Alaska to live in the wilderness. Along the way, Christopher encounters a series of characters that shape his life.

[THEORY!] So, who is the boss of the media???



In February, 2011 there was the festival «The Barrens performance». It's the 8th time when the small Norwegian town Kirkenes has become a cultural centre of the Kingdom. The guests this year: Markshander kunst, Alina Orlova and the ex-leader of va-bank band Aleksander F. Sklyar and other.

Development of this region and friendly relationships are the main task of Norway and Russia. Concerts and street shows were interchanged with meetings with the officials. Also there was an international discussion entitled «Who is the boss of the media». Correspondent of «Arctic TV» Aleksander Borisov has his own opinion. These are his words: “You know the theme of this conversation.. But I think we should start with ourselves. Ask yourself a question: what do you want? Why are you doing this? The first test of journalism is Humanism, I think. People who need our help are veterans, old and lonely ladies. But there must be something more.. We all should be strong inside. Now we are all speaking about our civil position. But what is it? Most of us don't know. I regarded Murmansk journalists as boring people. They just don't care about what's going on here. I can't see how the country which had won the war against fascism suffers from it years later. If you say «yes, I am antifa» you are marked since that moment. A lot of antifas have been killed in Moscow and Saint Petersburg, but the society is blind. It prefers to be blind. I am trying to change it – I attend meetings etc. And now I am the number one enemy for Murmansk fascists.

In the social network there is my address and the place of work. It's all because I am working in the mass media. There is a situation with Oleg Kashin,

a journalist who was beaten by members of ultra organisation. I visited the meeting to support him. I just can't afford to miss it.

Remember the murder of Stanislav Markelov and Anastasia Baburova right in the center of Moscow. My conscience made me go there because it was a meeting of memory. How could I miss it? But no one came to Murmansk, only few people. I can't explain this. May be it's just a quirk. Nobody help us, only we can change it from apathy to importance for everyone. Turning back to fascists - almost 2 years ago there was a garage concert to support an artist Artem Loskutov for being guilty in nothing. Special services had dropped marijuana to him. We proved it was false and helped to set him free. During the concert football hooligans attacked, 16 people were suffered. Later 4 most active hooligans were found and lawsuit began. I received a lot of threats since then. Those assholes were judged. And soon after those events, their leader appeared in a TV show to prove they are not hooligans, but patriots. At the end of the program the TV presenter agreed with this statement!!!!!! They use gas while attacks and now they are innocent, they didn't do nothing against the law.



I can't call those journalists my colleagues. They are ill in mind. Especially the TV presenter (his name is Yuriy Judkov) who said we should accept two points of view. That's why I suppose we should begin with ourselves. If you are passive and it's very comfortable to know nothing nothing will ever change. I am not an oppositionist; I just want to live in my country. This is how I feel. We should speak openly about such problems. I do speak. But nobody is listening to me”.

Alexander BOB Borisov
Journalist of «Arctic TV»
(Murmansk)
specially for Punk Way

We are growing tired of arguing about what is more effective and of greater use for the movement. On one side – radical, straight-forward actions of anarchists may bring state's repression on them as it was recently in Moscow after the Khimki town hall assault, in Belarus after couple of symbolic Molotov cocktails etc...

Although it all had some positive impact on movement's publicity and raising awareness of what is a state and who are anarchists, among others the anarchists themselves got a significant experience. But reformism... less radical parties have less visible and less impressive effect which leaves many disappointed about efficiency of these actions at all. So let us look at this question in details, taking the article "Say you want an insurrection" as a basis.

Modern rebel ideas became a new phenomenon in many countries, where the high turnover rate in anarchists' organisations makes them repeat their mistakes over and over again. One can hardly blame younger generations of anarchist for that – the older generations are to blame more than anyone else – for their refusal to contact with the youngsters. Old anarchists ought to be especially tactful, not to be too patronizing and hostile towards younger comrades' enthusiasm. Ten years ago we were parvenus, and our fresh energy and confusing ideas provoked all the nervous veterans; we have managed to learn something from some part of their criticism not due to them, but because of their despise which made us more invincible and them more marginalised. And now being in the veterans' shoes now we can make those following us to go through the same pattern of mistakes. Taking this for the basis let's start with advantages of insurrection as the initial point of struggle.

Starting from Revolt...

"Attack is the refusal of mediation, pacification, sacrifice, accommodation, and compromise in struggle. It is through acting and learning to act, not propaganda, that we will open the path to insurrection, although analysis and discussion have a role in clarifying how to act. Waiting only teaches waiting; in acting one learns to act."

Many organizations and movements, including some that are explicitly anarchist, promise to challenge the powers that be as soon as the groundwork has been prepared; but the world is always changing, and one may lay a foundation only to discover that the terrain



has shifted. Once one gets used to waiting, even if it is only a matter of needing to prepare a little more, it is always easier to go on waiting. Revolution, like parenthood and everything else momentous in life, is something one can never be adequately prepared for.

Often, this preparation is framed in terms of the need to make the movement more outreach and educate the participants. But until there is a clash, until the lines are drawn, there is nothing to talk about. Most people tend to remain aloof from theoretical discussions, but when something is happening, when the stakes are high and they can see concrete differences between opposing sides, they will take a stand. In forcing such ruptures, one can compel those who hide authoritarian and capitalist allegiances to show their true colours, while offering everyone else the opportunity to form other allegiances.

Sometimes one has to aim beyond the target in order to strike it. Perhaps in the pacified US, some have to decry all compromise and deliberation to resist co-optation and paralysis. By interrupting the apparent consensus and social peace, confrontations make injustice visible and legitimize the rage others feel as well. When the fog of apparently universal submission is dispelled, those who wish to fight can finally find each other—and readiness to fight is a better basis for allegiance than merely ideological agreement.

The form of one's immediate actions should match one's long-term goals. Theoretical elaborations give

rise to more of the same. Focusing on winning reforms tends to contribute to the development of reformist logic. If you want to destroy all forms of domination, it's best to confront them all from the outset..

...and Spreading to Resistance

"Insurrectionary anarchism, therefore, places particular importance on the circulation and spread of action, not managed revolt, for no army or police force is able to control the generalised circulation of such autonomous activity... What the system is afraid of is not just these acts of sabotage themselves, but also them spreading socially."

Every action that dispels the illusions of order and resignation is a spell cast for more of the same.

Almost all strains of insurrectionist thought emphasize the importance of revolt spreading. This is one of the best standards, then, by which to evaluate insurrectionist efforts.

If both postponement and action tend to give rise to more of the same, then in acting oneself, one extends an invitation to others. This is an argument for carrying out actions that others can easily emulate, in hopes that they will catch on.

That's the idea, anyway. Sometimes, of course, anarchists carry out an action others could easily emulate, but no one does. What other factors enable an action to inspire more actions?

Even if the Time Is Not Ripe

"We are insurrectionalist anarchists... because rather than wait, we have decided to proceed to action, even if the time is not ripe." -Alfredo Bonanno, The Insurrectional Project

It is an article of faith among most insurrectionists that one should not wait for the appropriate material conditions, but should attack immediately. As a defense against the sort of postponement described above, this makes perfect sense; as a moral obligation or an axiom to govern every decision, it can be dangerously unreasonable.

This does not stop some from posing it as strategic. People who grew up in a society founded on Christian notions of moral law often argue for their own preferences as universally valid prescriptions. It's surprising how moralistically judgmental people who claim to reject morality can be!



Of course, in a society based on competition and exploitation, there are always clashes, however subtle. One doesn't have to precipitate new ones; it is enough to fight where one stands. Unfortunately, the insurrectionist imagination is often limited by the most well-known models for attack. Imagine an insurrectionist who goes to work or school during the week but smashes bank windows on the weekends—hesitating to create a rupture in the fabric of her own daily life while willingly risking felonies to destroy things outside it. If

such a lifestyle could make sense, it is an admission that one must still choose carefully when and how to "proceed to action." We're not convinced it does make sense, but that doesn't mean the insurrectionist in question would be better off immediately smashing the windows in her own workplace.

If "proceeding to action even if the time is not ripe" doesn't mean picking up the closest heavy object and attacking the nearest person in a uniform, what does it mean? How do we decide what kinds of action are most worthwhile?



possibility to other gangs.

Often the ones at the forefront of clashes with the authorities are not self-identifying anarchists at all, while anarchists with carefully articulated political positions avoid conflict or even sabotage resistance. People adopt political stances for all sorts of reasons, and these stances frequently have nothing to do with how they actually conduct themselves. This phenomenon corroborates insurrectionist skepticism about the importance of

ideological positions, but it also means that those who identify as insurrectionists are no more likely to practice what they preach than anyone else.

Despite the fact that avowed anarchism does not always correlate with active resistance, there's no reason to believe struggles that are not identified as anarchist are any more likely to produce anarchic situations or relationships. If you're opposed to all forms of oppression, you may as well say so from the outset, lest you leave an opening for authoritarians to hijack your efforts.

Not Just Insurrection, but Anarchist Insurrection

But rebellion and street violence are not necessarily anarchist. Resistance to oppressors is praiseworthy in itself, but much resistance takes place in support of other authoritarian powers. This is all too familiar in other parts of the world, where illegal violence on the part of fascists, paramilitaries, gangs, drug cartels, mafias, and authoritarian revolutionary movements is an essential aspect of domination. Aspiring authoritarians often take the lead in attacking reigning authorities precisely in order to absorb and co-opt popular unrest. Rioting per se is not always liberating—Kristallnacht was a riot too. Even if some participants have the purest intentions, insurrections can go any number of directions: remember what happened to the Russians following the insurrection of 1917, or the Iranians following the insurrection of 1978-79.

So anarchists must not only provoke confrontations,

Against subculture?

In response to the extravagant notion that we should jettison culture as a site for mobilizing resistance, we counterpoise the project of building a culture of resistance, a space in which people of multiple cultural backgrounds can develop common reference points in order to attack hierarchy in all its forms.

Against Anarchist Identity

A variant on the rejection of subculture is the rejection of anarchism as an identity. This calls to mind another old question: should we organize specifically as anarchists, or are other approaches more likely to produce anarchy?

There is a lot to be said for resisting quarantine in closed circuits of the converted. Picture a molecule that bonds with other molecules by sharing electrons with them. If it has loose electrons, it is prone to creating new connections or disruptions; on the other hand, if all of its electrons are in stable bonds, it is unlikely to introduce new dynamics to the molecules around it. Similarly, anarchists who seclude themselves in the company of committed ideologues tend to become static and predictable, while those who limit their participation in explicitly anarchist circles to stay open to other relationships can sometimes catalyze waves of transformation.

At the same time, organizing on the basis of a social rather than ideological position can be extremely promising. Perhaps the best approach is to organize at some intersection of social position and ideology: for example, a gang who grew up together discovers anticapitalist resistance, and sets out to introduce the

but also ensure that they contribute to a more horizontal and decentralized distribution of power. In this regard, glorifications of the superficial details of militant confrontation—black masks, Molotov cocktails, and so on—are largely beside the point, if not actively distracting. The flow of initiative among the rebels, the ways decisions are made and skills are shared, the bonds that develop between comrades: these are much more important. Likewise, one must strategize as to how social uprisings will contribute to long-term revolutionary momentum rather than simply enabling reactionary forces to consolidate power.

Against activism

Activism that does not explicitly challenge hierarchy fortifies it. Reformist struggles can win adjustments in the details of oppression, but they ultimately help the state maintain its legitimacy in the public eye—not only by giving it the chance to redress grievances, but by reinforcing the notion that the power to effect meaningful change lies in the hands of the authorities. It is better to struggle in such a way that people develop an awareness of their own capabilities outside all petitioning and bureaucracy. Reformist activism also tends to build up internal hierarchies.

Sustaining Confrontations

Unless it provides for the practical needs of the participants, insurrectionism is just an expensive hobby: activism with felony charges and a smaller base of support.

The other lesson we can derive from a close study of activism is the importance of not overextending. Some activities produce more energy and resources than they consume; others cost more than they produce. Many activist projects ultimately founder because they fail to recoup the resources invested in them: one cannot carry on an exhausting undertaking indefinitely without deriving the wherewithal for it from somewhere. Of course, these resources can take a wide variety of forms: a Books to Prisoners group may consume a great deal of labor hours, but persist so long as the social connections it provides are rewarding; traveling around the country to participate in riots may be expensive in terms of gas and bail money, but if it is exciting and empowering enough, the participants will come up with the cash somehow. On the other

hand, if a million dollars must be raised for court costs following every demonstration, this may prove prohibitive, unless each demonstration wins new allies with deep pockets.

Activities that cost more resources than they produce are not necessarily bad, but you have to strategize accordingly if you wish to participate in them. In dismissing goal-oriented struggles in favor of confrontation for its own sake, some insurrectionists set themselves up for burnout. Symbolic clashes can help develop the capacity to fight for more concrete objectives, but not if they are so costly that they drain their social base out of existence. Breaking windows is a dead end unless it helps to generate a widespread social movement—or at least provides access to enough of the commodities behind the windows to fund the vandals' eventual court cases.



The most sustainable forms of confrontation seize resources which can then be employed in further struggle. The classic example of this is the European squatting movement of thirty years ago, in which the occupied buildings were used as staging areas for further social struggles. This approach supersedes both self-defeating reformist activism and self-destructive insurrectionist dogma. Unless it provides for the practical needs of the participants, insurrectionism is just an expensive hobby: activism with felony charges and a smaller base of support. Insurrectionists of other eras have recognized this and robbed banks rather than simply smashing their windows.

People who face enough challenges just getting by will not be much more attracted to gratuitous vandalism than they are to activism that has nothing to do with their daily lives; on the other hand, tactics that enable them to sustain themselves may be more appealing. Insurrectionists who are frustrated with the lifestyle-oriented anarchism of those they perceive as “subcultural” actually stand to learn a lot from them. The latter remain involved in their version of anarchist community not because of moral or ideological imperatives, but because it sustains them. For insurrection to spread, it must do the same.

Making a Virtue of Repression

Militant struggle demands a strategy that takes into account the repression, legal support, and prison sentences that will inevitably result, and somehow turns them to our advantage. The absence of such a strategy is perhaps the most significant structural flaw in insurrectionist projects today. We have to engage with the issue of repression beyond the usual security culture, limited prisoner support, occasional solidarity actions, and wishful thinking. “Don’t get caught” isn’t a plan, it’s a prayer.

Is It Safer in the Shadows, or in the Spotlight?

No membership, no statements, no public face. This might make it harder for the state to single out enemies, but it also sounds a little like the invisibility and isolation that make it so hard for comrades to find each other and get started.

In the current atmosphere of repression, the insurrectionist approach is often framed as a question of security: with infiltrators everywhere and the

legal repercussions of resistance intensifying, it is simply too dangerous to engage in visible organizing. However, it’s far from certain that less visibility is any more likely to make anarchists safer or more effective.

It often happens that in attempting to correct old errors, people commit new ones; forsaking problematic strategies, they learn the hard way what advantages led their predecessors to adopt them in the first place. So it is that anarchists, who only came into the public eye a decade ago, are now fantasizing about returning to the shadows.

If this is true, the most pressing task for anarchists is not to carry out secretive military strikes but to spread skills and practices. There is no substitute for participatory activities that offer points of entry for new people and opportunities for existing groups to connect. Likewise, refusing to interact with the public effectively means leaving it to the corporate media to tell one’s “story”—or else suppress it.

This also has a bearing on whether it is safer and more strategic for anarchists to act alone with the element of surprise, outside any conventional “political” framework, or to participate in broader campaigns and mobilizations. In the latter context, the state is often more prepared and vigilant, rendering successful attacks more difficult from a purely military point of view; on the other hand, arrestees are more likely to receive support from outside the immediate anarchist community, and their actions may be more visible and comprehensible to others.

All this is not to say that anarchist organizing should be visible in the same way conventional political campaigns are. The point is to ensure that anarchist models of resistance are accessible to everyone, not to



promote the popularity of a platform or spokesperson or party. The chief dangers of visibility are not posed by the police, after all, but by the possibility of being absorbed into the spectacle, performing for the cameras until one comes to mistake representations for reality.

The Force of Insurrection

The force of an insurrection is social, not military. The power of anarchist insurrection is determined not by military confrontations, but by how pervasive resistance is, how widely distributed tactics and resources are, how durable and extensive and genuinely liberating the relationships are that underpin the whole endeavor. If our goal is not simply to persuade others—or, let's be honest, ourselves—of our defiance, then we have to prioritize forms of resistance that are either highly contagious or at least sustainable.

None of this is a reason not to act, or to wait for the proper moment to assume hostilities. Social war, like class war, is always taking place: like it or not, we are born into it, and decide at every moment how we fight. The point is to act strategically, so as not to fight alone.

The authorities understand themselves to be engaged in social war, perhaps more clearly than most insurrectionists do. They do not simply attack our bodies with batons, pepper spray, and imprisonment; they also set out to attack our relationships and social connections. It is significantly more cost-effective for them to intimidate, isolate, or discredit radicals than to imprison or kill them. In confrontations, we should recognize this intimidation and isolation as their top priority, and defend our relationships and our connections to others accordingly. They can beat or jail us as individuals without winning the social conflict—the question is whether our values and tactics take hold.

Infrastructure versus Equals Confrontation

Liberals and others who oppose revolutionary struggle often pose a false dichotomy between connecting with the community and engaging in militant confrontation. Some insurrectionists have accepted this dichotomy at face value, arguing for the latter in place of—perhaps in despair of—the former. Ten years ago, militant anarchists argued against the conceptual framework of violence “versus”

non-violence; now the pendulum has swung to the opposite extreme, and it is insurrectionists who insist that attack is distinct from community organizing.

On the contrary, “community organizing” and taking the offensive are at their most effective when they are identical. Permanent conflict, decentralized organization, and all the other insurrectionist precepts can serve quite well in local, community-based struggles. Combining infrastructural and confrontational approaches does not mean volunteering at an info shop during the day and smashing bank windows at night, but rather synthesizing the two into a single project. This is not complicated—as the whole world has been taken from us, we need only seize back any one of the things that should be ours and we enter into conflict with the state. If anarchists do not undertake this more often, perhaps it is because it is always most frightening to attempt what one wants most, what one knows one should have been doing all along.

Is there an empty lot that should be a community garden? Turn it into one, and mobilize enough social force that the owner finds it most convenient to leave you be. Is a co-worker being harassed or laid off? Bring the full power of your community to bear against her employer. Are there resources at the grocery store or the university that would be better off in your neighbourhood? Figure out whom you can trust and how to distribute them, and take them. To win these engagements, you'll have to spend a lot more time building up relationships and credibility than running around with masks on—but there are no shortcuts in social war.

This is nothing less than the project of beginning our lives, eternally deferred with all manner of half-hearted excuses and tortuous theoretical justifications. In our real lives, we are warriors who fight for ourselves and each other, who seize back the territory of our day-to-day existence or else die trying. Nothing less is worthy of us.

It is neither persuasion to abstract ideas nor class position alone that makes people invest themselves in the struggle against hierarchy. It is the experience of anarchist solutions to the problems of life, the development and fulfilment of anarchic desires. The need to revolt, to destroy, to get revenge is one such need; if insurrectionist approaches can fulfil it, so much the better. But we deserve a resistance that fulfils all our needs, and all our dreams besides.

Anarchism without adjectives

If we have never called ourselves insurrectionists, it is not because we do not wish for insurrection, but because our own temperament predisposes us to an anarchism without adjectives. The important thing is to fight for freedom and against hierarchy; we imagine that this will demand different approaches in different situations, and that these approaches may need one another to succeed. We are anarcho-syndicalists on the shop floor, green anarchists in the woods, social anarchists in our communities, individualists when you catch us alone, anarcho-communists when there's something to share, insurrectionists when we strike a



blow.

Anarchism without adjectives not only refuses to prioritize one approach over the others, but emphasizes the importance of each aspect of anarchism to its supposed opposites. The riot needs the bake sale to be repeatable; the arson needs the public campaign to be intelligible; the supermarket heist needs the neighborhood grocery distribution to pass on the goods.

All dichotomies are false dichotomies to some extent, masking not only the common threads between the terms but also the other dichotomies one might experiment with instead. On close inspection, successful insurrectionism seems to depend so much on “community building” and even “lifestyle anarchism” as to be virtually indistinguishable in practice. If we retired this particular distinction, what other distinctions might arise in its place? What other questions might we ask?

All this is not to say that individual anarchists can't focus on their particular skills and preferred strategies—simply that it is an error to frame anyone's personal preferences as universals. In the end, as always, it comes down to a question of which problems you want to wrestle with, which shortcomings you feel most equipped to overcome. Do you prefer to struggle against invisible hierarchies in informal networks, or brave the stultifying inertia of formal organizations? Would you rather risk acting rashly, or not acting at all? Which is more important to you, security or visibility—and which do you think will keep you safer in the long run?

We can't tell anyone which problems to choose. We can only do our best to outline them. Best of luck in your insurrections—may they intersect with ours.

Crimethinc. Full article:

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Original article: <http://www.crimethinc.com/texts/rollingthunder/insurrection.php>



Recommend!



Zapatista (1999)

January 1, 1994: The day the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) comes into effect. A few minutes after midnight in Southeastern Mexico, several thousand Mayan soldiers take over half the state of Chiapas, declaring a war against the global corporate power they say rules Mexico. They call themselves the Zapatista National Liberation Army (EZLN).



Don't wed over

It makes me sick when they make people scour to formalize an individual taxpayer number, or to change the passport, or to stamp the document assuring you're not a camel. Scurry around the offices, occupied by indifferent pigs, the implementations of the State and the System themselves. They sit while you're bound to fuss. Although, if you consider it seriously, you don't need any of these passports, taxpayer numbers. THEY need them. For you to be easy to look after, to be organized.

If you don't fuss enough, the violence machinery will create you extra troubles. Makes me sick.

But there is also a little mark in a passport, which is not compulsory at all... Its absence doesn't involve any trouble at all. The marriage mark. Many of my peers march to an office to make this mark with a head raised high, as if it's a holiday...

Why?

Something like: for everybody to know that we truly love each other. "We want a proper wedding", "we've got knocked up", "it is a challenge for our feelings" and other drivel as a reason.

But anyway, I've got the same question: what has the marriage mark to do with it? Aren't you able to breathe without it? What are unnecessary actions

for, moreover, if they help the state to control you? You kinda love each other, but you need a kind of referee, the third party to prove it legally, that you love each other. This need of a referee (which is again the impudent greedy state) is a sign of a deeply inner unliberty.

By the way, here is what they write about the marriage in lectures on justice: «The analysis of acting Russian Federation Family code allows to identify the marriage as a voluntary and equitable union of man and woman to establish a family, which is a subject to a compulsory state registration and which creates reciprocal rights and obligations for them ».

So the mark creates a lot of difficulties.

Here is more:

A marriage can be declared invalid in a civil registry office in the presence of two circumstances:

- partners' mutual agreement on the marriage dissolution;
- absence of common minor children.

If having children, it's not that simple to quit the official marriage. Anyway, divorce requires a lot of precious time, nerves and energy. These could be used in a much more efficient way.

Maybe, it seems to someone that after effecting a

marriage officially, after becoming a family, they are going to gain some privileges or handouts. Yeah, you will be able to take out a mortgage, kids. Jet up for about 50 years, pay for it. Finally, to the time of anility, you'll but out your own 30 square meters. You'll be given a honorary right to die on these square meters,

neither. Because we failed to change anything.

For the married ones there's a propaganda flow from the TV, which nowadays boils down to one thing: labor more children.

Labor more soldiers for us. We're gonna send them to Bum Fuck Egypt and leave them there to die. Yep.



Don't think we are against creating a family or children being born, but everything requires involving one's head, not following a word MUST like sheep.

Official marriage has lost its sense long time ago. In ancient times there was such sense – economic reasons. A woman was in fact man's property and separately from him she could not have any belongings, any means of subsistence. Later, the marriage institution was successively undermined by progressive thinkers.

And now it's 21st century – everything is different, an official marriage is a rudiment, an anachronism.

without actually seeing anything but them. After effecting a marriage, there are also some guarantees about the future divorce property carve-up given, but if someone of you two is an asshole not able to divide common property in good order without these guarantees in such situations, what's the sense in living together and trusting each other? It's all about personal characteristics, ability to love, ability to stay human, ability to trust, which a lot of people want to make a mark in the passport be responsible of. What the state regulates, it can also re-regulate not to our velvet, thanks to the strongly developed corruption. So the passport mark doesn't guarantee much in these cases.

Alright, you've registered your marriage at a civil registry office. Now you're officially a wife and a husband. Almost a social unit.

I've noticed that after the official wedding many couples sensibly change to the worst. They are devoured by household routine and the problem of earning money. And if the children come as well... that's where shit hits the fan. What is poverty spawning for? Or it's something like that: we live in a country we don't like and so we've given birth to our children, who are going to live in a country they're gonna like

But it's still very important for the state. With its help it's easier to control, easier to suppress citizens' freedom of choice. It helps to create an aura of rejection of an "abnormal family" in the society (it's bad to live alone, bad to live three, bad to live as a commune, bad, bad, bad...) What business is my lifestyle of yours?

So in recent years people both here and in the West began realize that registration/nonregistration of relationships, giving birth to children is everyone's private business. The amount of "unofficial marriages" increases, as well as the amount of so-called child-free... They get more and more, the ones who just want more freedom in this languorous world of bans and violence.

Here is something more that I think: when someone in a couple (girls usually) tries to bring the relationship to the civil registry office, it means that someone in the couple doesn't trust one's partner. Something like: come on, marry me, then I'll believe you that you love me. Yet good relationships in healthy society are based on trust and mutual aid. They do not need outside control, do not need state.

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Many people also contradict: it's more likely a man,

rambling and not pinning oneself down to anything, to think so, but a “normal” girl will always demand a mark in a passport and wedding!.. That’s why we’ve got a normal girl’s opinion on the subject:

I hear such statements all the time. For some reason, most girls hold it that all the happiness in life is in a wedding ring and in a mark in the passport. And that if I’m 20, and I still do not dream of a wedding, I’m either dumb or a lesbian.

Every girl starts considering compulsorily getting married from the very early age, and her dear parents harp the same upon her all the time: “If you study bad and hang around unkempt, no one will marry you” or “You’re growing up such a goose. All your friends are gonna get married, and you’re gonna stay an old maid!”. Poor child doesn’t even understand what an “old maid” is yet, but she already gets hammered in a program: a mark in the passport is happiness, its absence is an unimaginable grief. It was natural in the times of old, when a man was a breadwinner in a family, and a lonely girl could hardly survive without him; every family couple tried to bestow their daughter in marriage to provide her fat life, and to get rid of an “extra eater” as well. Herewith, girls often used to be bestowed in marriage not by love.

Nowadays the situation has changed cardinally, and a woman works and earns equally with a man – or even more, than a man. So there is no such necessity.

But as a survival of times past, there’s a mindset left: good to have a husband, bad not to have a husband. That’s why many girls see the meaning of life in registering as a “social unit” officially, and in nothing else. Thus, as they speak, they don’t “get married”, but “get hitched”, worrying only about the gown’s beauty and price and about doing it before one’s peers.

I’m not a man hater, as you could have thought, and I don’t consider family life to be a bad thing. I just think that relationships between two humans should be controlled not by state, but by these humans themselves. In my opinion, if you live with someone and you feel good with him/her, the presence/absence

of a piece of paper claiming that you are officially a wife and a husband is not of importance at all, and people’s relationships should last as long as they want it, not as long as the state wants. It is all a silly formality, aimed to adjust you more and more, to drive you in a system, and a wedding ceremony with limousines and white gowns “for there was something to remember” is another reason to pull your money out of you. Just like any other holiday it is just a means of enrichment for capitalists rich even without it.

M. Zinger

! By the way! Percentage of married couples has been decreasing rather fast as the society has been developing, and at the moment it is about 50-70% in so-called developed countries.



Recommend!



The Anarchist's Wife / La mujer del anarquista (2008)

«The Anarchist's Wife» is the story of Manuela who is left behind when her husband Justo fights for his ideals against Franco's Nationalists during the Spanish Civil War. He is deported to a concentration camp, and upon his release, continues the fight against nationalism in the French resistance. Years, pass without a word from him, but his wife never gives up hope of seeing him again.



Summer – is a travelling season, when time allows, desires encourage to ruin all the boundaries and meet with friends and relatives however far they may be! Lack of money mustn't be a barrier among the people because of that in this issue we will have a good look at different ways of travelling free of charge.

1. Hitch-hiking

It's for true romantics of the road. For those who is rushing to appear beyond the horizon. For those who finds sense of journeys in travelling itself. Hitch-hiking is easy and difficult at the same time. It's not just a possibility to drive penniless. Hitch-hiking is freedom, it's almost anarcho-communism on the roads, it's a way of life.

Arrange a route

A real hitch-hiker always starts his journey from determining a clear route. You must represent where your travel starts and where finishes.

Open the atlas of motor-car roads and mark a starting and final point. Now have a more careful look at the rout itself. Which settlement will occur in your path? Will you have to cross the river? What is the kind of area: forest, field, hills or mountains? I can assure you: when you are at a haunch one hundred km from any settlement it'll be very important for you.

Pay attention to the category of the chosen route. The broader the road the busier the traffic, the more chances to find appropriate transport.

Things to take with you

Take as little as possible. Remember, that always can come a moment when you are to carry everything on your back walking along the margin. Moreover having plenty of bags your chances to find a fellow traveler decrease.

First of all, don't forget to take the most important documents with you. Passport, military card, medical insurance. Secondly, take some money just in case. It's up to you to decide what sum of money to take, whatever the case, hidden 100 or 200 dollars won't be unnecessary anyway. Thirdly, put a first-aid kit into your bag. Bandage, antibiotics, aspirin, analgin, permanganate of potassium and something against intestinal upset and some alcohol.

Don't neglect means of personal hygiene: deodorant and toilet water.

Don't forget about the drinking water and packed meals. Products have to be caloric, storable and compact. Chocolate, nuts, cheese, etc.

Also take a knife, a pocket flashlight, matches, an umbrella, a compass and an atlas of motor-car roads with pointed route.

An additional set of linen and socks is obligatory. Especially if you travel not in summer.

If the route is to be very long, and it will be very difficult to find night quarters, you'd better take a tent with you. Though in that case, unfortunately, your load will become notably heavier.

Chances to find a fellow traveler

Let's speak honestly. Anyone will always prefer a girl to a boy. It's another matter that the risks of getting into unpleasant situation run in that case. If there are two young men, then their chances decrease twice. Two girls will wait for a transport longer than a single female-traveller.

The best combinations look in the following way. First of all, it's a single hitch-hiker. Classical variant – a young man with a bag on his back, dressed tidy.

Also arouse driver's sympathy young couples travelling hitch-hiking: a boy with a girl. If there are conjoints driving the car, then it is quite likely that they would be glad to have such a company.

How to pick up a car

The first thing for you to keep in mind is the main gesture of all the hitch-hikers – stretched hand with a raised thumb. That's how you should signal drivers about your intention to become a fellow traveler to them.

Start your journey out of the town. In town at best you can pick up a taxi. You'd better move away from the last police post. Attract cops attention to you is not obligatory at all.

Is it better to stand or walk along the margin? Nevertheless it's better to stand looking towards oncoming transport. You won't go far away, but standing you'll be able to notice an appropriate car. But sometimes it's useful to walk some kilometers to find a certain bifurcation with a bigger traffic. It depends on the certain situation. Try to place emphasis to freight transport. Drivers of them are usually prefer to travel in a nice company.

What to say to the driver of the welcome car? The most important is to formulate the first question. From my first hand I advise you to say something like that: "Hello, won't you pick me up to...". You can explain that you travel hitch-hiking. If the driver at once asks you about money you ready to pay, say goodbye to him politely.

<http://www.couchsurfing.org>

http://vkontakte.ru/ru_autostop

2. TRAVELLING BY ELECTRIC TRAINS.

More civilized way of travelling is travelling by electric trains. It's better because you won't appear alone in the route amidst a field, moreover you know the time of arrival and it's not less romantic.

What are the "waves" and for what reason they are needed?



Waves – are chains of suburban trains, either of which moves till the certain station. At best the next of them awaits the arrival of the previous in case of lateness. They are needed for arriving at the places, at which you can't get to travelling only by one electric train.

How to arrange a wave by yourself?

The easiest way is to use this web-site <http://3ty.ru>. He is not perfect yet, but soon it'll be finished. If it doesn't suit you, use these web-sites: rasp.yandex.ru, tutu.ru (it depends on the region).

What are the ways of cheating the checking up?

There are so many of them that it becomes difficult to list. To run over is the most reliable way. Though there are regions where running is useless, because the same comptroller walk from one end of the train to another all the route, and quantity of people is not very big. In that case the best way is to explain that you are absolutely penniless. And if you feel too lazy to run over, you can pay for one zone.

How to charge mobile phones and other things during your path?

To find a socket is much easier than it seems to be. Almost every station has automatic cash terminals which are in electric network. Most often they use usual sockets. You'd better not pull them out (only in case of emergency), but you can find free next to them. Another variant is to enter some stall and ask a seller if you can use it. Generally speaking there are still some stations where you can find sockets for public use, but sometimes they are not working.

Water

You can always ask for some drinking water in station's café.

<http://vkontakte.ru/vdalriding> — Group in a social network "vkontakte.ru" «Вдаль на электричках!»

3. TRAVELLING BY BICYCLE

I often heard stories about people travelling alone by bicycle, who returned very quickly and unfortunately without a bicycle :) Because of that it's more advisable to travel in a group of 4-8 people.

All the participants of future journey must possess the knowledge of assembling, setting and easiest repairing of a bicycle and be good at riding it.

Depending on the relief of the area, weather and quality of road, an average group can pass from 400 to 1000 km during the vacation.

Rests are also set depending on a relief of the area, weather and quality of road. If the road is good it's worthwhile to keep to this order: 27 minutes of wheeling, 3 minutes on foot, 23 minutes of wheeling – 2 minutes on foot, 5 minutes rest. If the relief of the area, the road state and other factors allow to get off the bicycle often you can keep to this order: 50-55 minutes of wheeling, 5-10 minutes of rest. When the wind is powerful the time of going on foot increases at the expense of stops. Such walking pauses allow to stretch your body, restore a proper blood circulation and normalize your breathing. The active rest is much better than passive one.

The daily routine:

Travelling in central and south regions it's worth keeping to the following daily routine: awakening in 5:30-6:00, 10-15 minutes morning exercises, 10-15 minutes toilet, then there is breakfast and getting ready; persons on duty get up earlier to cook breakfast. You can start travelling not earlier than after 0,5-1 hour after having a meal.

At 11-12 there you are to halt with a duration about 4-5 hours to have a rest, dinner and other activities. It happens to the warmest time of the day.

In north regions it's not advisable to get up early, because it's still cold and wet because of the dew.

Day's crossing is better to stop 1.5-2 hours before a nightfall, to have an opportunity to settle down on a night quarters when it's still daylight. You need some time to examine, clean or if it's needed to repair your bicycle, have some swimming, washing and have a rest before sleeping.

TO SUM IT UP:

Each of the ways of travelling has its own pros and cons, pleasant and unpleasant moments. Hitch-hiking is useful depending on the section of the route you are to overpass and their length. It's necessary to



understand and calculate your capability and means of the route, because it often happened when instead of fast arrival to a destination people travelled some days longer. Hitch-hiking sometimes is absolutely unpredictable, in comparison with electric trains. Timetable is fixed and you are able to know the exact time of your arrival, but unfortunately sometimes it's not as fast as even hitch-hiking. Moreover you must pay some money for using electric trains. Travelling by bicycle sums some more troubles, connected with physical tiredness. The choice of way of travelling depends on a certain situation and your own desires.

Travel and perceive the world in all its diversity!
Farewell!

<http://www.v-evropu.info/> - A good web-site for travelers.

<http://punkway.ru/index.php/2009-09-18-00-35-00/645-2010-09-17-10-06-14> — This article is obligatory to reading, while planning a trip over Russia-Ukrainian frontier.

[DIY!] Translations of songs

Change the World Without Taking Power (CT2WTP)

is a band playing experimental anarcho-punk related to metal.

The band was settled on the 2nd of November, 2005 (Russia, Moscow)



This is Riot (Это бунт)

Daily routine is what we see,
Everyday sorrow seems to be endless,
And there's nothing we can do with it,
It will continue until we die.

And every of us wants to change the world,
It's a sincere wish that lives in us,
We wanna break all borders,
We wanna rebel.

If we can unite and understand each other,
We will succeed and arrive at our goals,
We can change the world only when united

Rebellion fires are all around,
More and more people join the anarchists,
There's so many riots in our state now,
We're going straight on.

Our Riot thrives,
And we rebelled against total control,
Against money and against laws.

And we rebelled againsts total slavery,
This is the war, and we won't surrender
Our descendants won't forget us.

БФ-6 (BF-6)

is a punk band from Cherepovets (Vologda region, Russia). The band plays fast and aggressive street-punk.

Firstly presented at a gig in August, 2007.

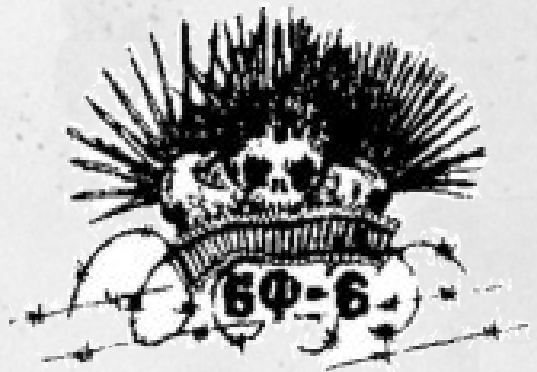
In Our Hearts (В наших сердцах)

You're not scared of police interrogations,
This is the way you have chosen:
To fight for your rights, honour and love,
To defend freedom and liberty of speech.

Refrain.

We will never forget you,
You'll stay alive in our hearts,
We will continue what you did,
And no one will break us!

To remember means to continue the battle,
And never surrendered in this unequal fight,
Eternal hero of today is one who believes in victory.



La Vida Cuesta Libertades (L.V.C.L.)

is an anarcho-rap band from Penza (Penza region, Russia). Its first album was released in 2010.



The Black Terror (Черный Террор)

The black terror!
People will disregard the slavery system.
The black terror!
State will be set down by us.

Burnt flag is always coloured black
Everyone who woke up has already burnt their flags,
And it was the first step away from doom.
The State terrorizes us
And we fight back,
A dictator gives an order
But we resist this fucking slavery!

The Kremlin burns, and people rebel
Police arrests? no way!
It's time to fight against government
And to go under red-black flags
There's nobody who can stop us -
Neither the army, nor the police
We'll resist slavery system,
Let's start black terror for the government!

Punk poem

I'm a proletarian,
I got thinking.
A great British scapegoat,
Another white target.

Think to stay alive,
Terrorize, civilise me.

Think to stay alive,
Terrorize, civilise me.

I don't need your facts
and I won't kiss it.
I don't need your law,
you can stick it up your arse.

Think to stay alive,
terrorize, civilise me.

Think to stay alive,
Terrorize, civilise me.

My life's a commodity,
Another beer keg.
I was born at Millbank,
I was born at Suez...

Think to stay alive,
Civilise, terrorize me.

Me, still alive,
Civilise, terrorize me.

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Could be from anywhere but in this
case, solidarity from Britain.

In this world

Hidden behind a wall of lies
People cannot open their eyes
To the truth, that is before them
What we need is liberation-
In this world

You can not undo
The laws that have been forced on you
We are just petrol to keep the state moving
Yet we are always losing-
In this world

The lies build up in their head
And leak out their mouth instead
The government seem bright and sunny
Yet they will kill for money-
In this world

So all the punks in the nation
Will come and fight for liberation
There will be no discrimination
With one common goal, one destination-
In this world

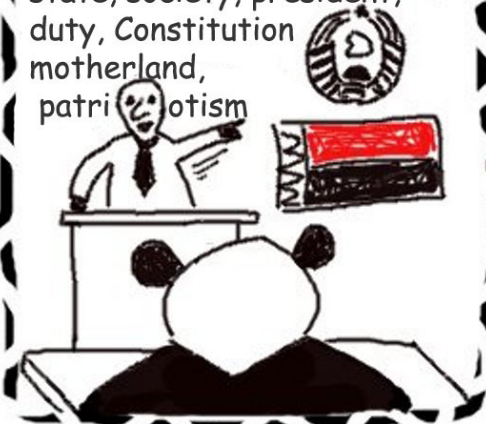
C.J.
Ireland

Punk cartoon

THE STORY ABOUT A TRIAL TO MAKE A PANDA A USUAL PERSON AND RESULT OF THIS



state, society, president,
duty, Constitution
motherland,
patriotism



the panda
believed
them because
he didn't know
about the life and
the world around. Any education in-
stitution always persuades you that
you don't belong to yourself - you
belong to state and society, you
serve them. You are just a mean for
making their goals. You are a worker
a soldier, you must love and secure
those who uses you. This is the way
of existence,
it is an IDEOLOGY.

your parents love you. They have expe-
rience. To be happy you should follow
them. They dedicated their lives to
you, so where's your
gratitude for it? millions of people live
their lives this way, and the majority
cannot be mistaken. Nobody can help
you except your relatives.
So, it's time to get adult, to find a
permanent job, and create a family and
spend your free-time watching TV with
them.

**YOU ARE A FAMILY VALUES HOS-
TAGE.**



family, job, children, marriage,
success, home,
duty, comfort,
traditions



career, money, sex, car,
entertainment,
beautiful life



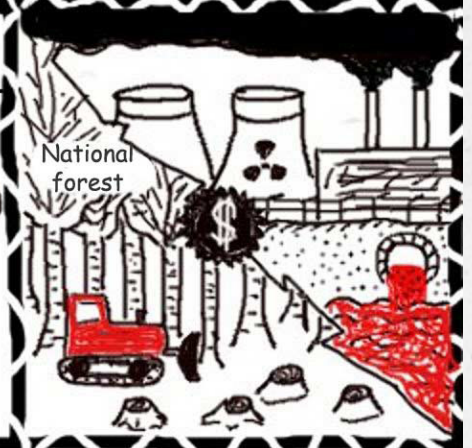
I am me.
It's the life
as it is.

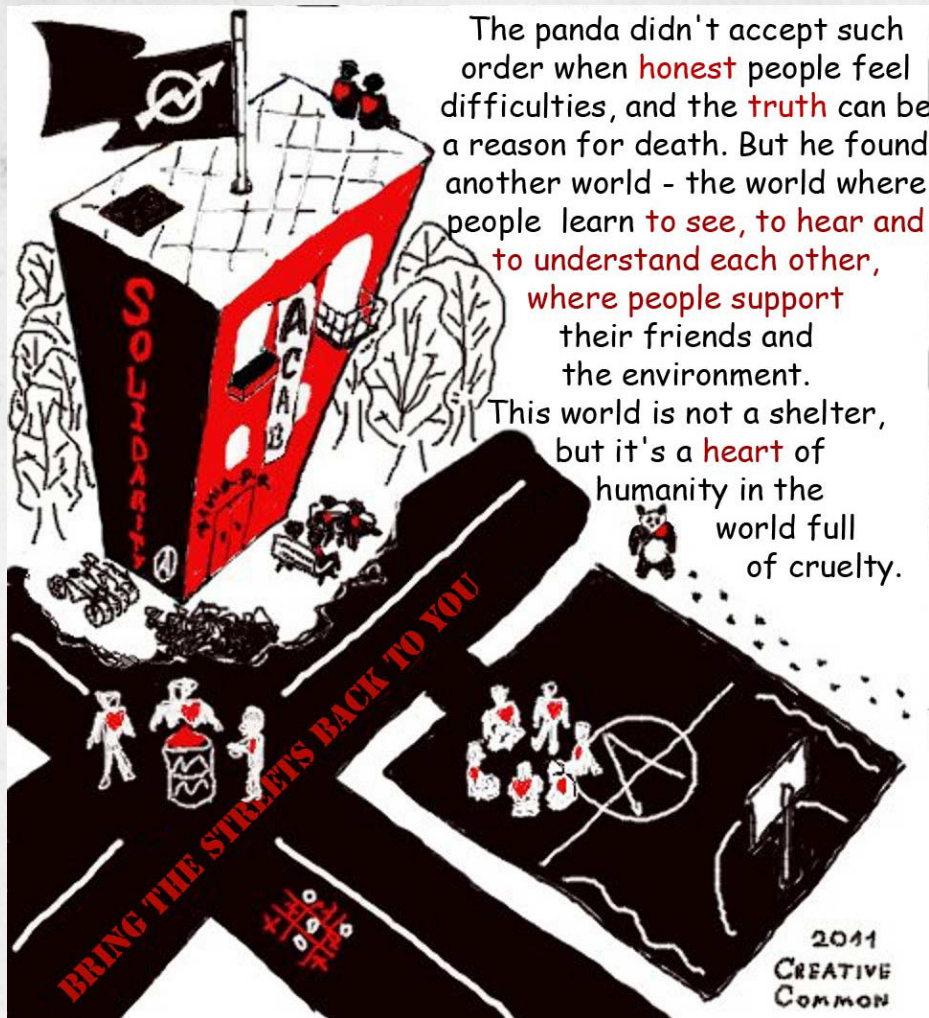


Your friends also help you to un-
derstand this life. Entertainment,
pleasure, careless sweet life - it's
so contagious! be a nice boy, play
and don't ignore the rules. Live and
enjoy. It's a vicious circle, you have
no choice. You don't wanna be
alone, do you? so, you will accept
all they say.

**but the panda began to
doubt...**

all obey the law,
and **WE** are the law



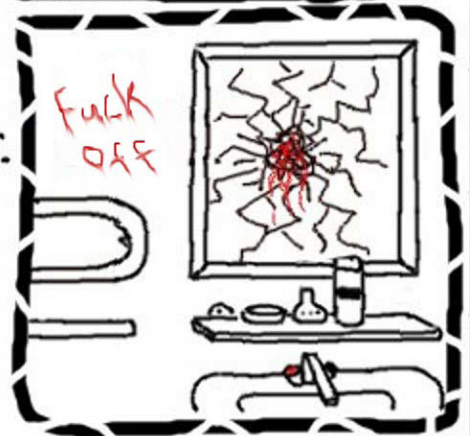


The panda didn't accept such order when **honest** people feel difficulties, and the **truth** can be a reason for death. But he found another world - the world where people learn **to see, to hear and to understand each other, where people support their friends and the environment.**

This world is not a shelter, but it's a **heart** of humanity in the world full of cruelty.

The panda began to doubt and he decided to get to know more about the world he lived in. And he cried looking at this: the panda saw realities of war, mothers losing their children, animals being killed for fur... The panda was shocked with the lie and aggressive around him.

He saw scare, ignorance and indifference. He didn't believe anymore to what he was told. The panda saw a part of this horrible world in himself and felt nausea. "death before surrender" - he thought. Then the panda began to seek like-minded people.



Before the dawn

City's fallen asleep... Last passersby are gone from the streets. Window lights went out. The sky covered with the dim scattering of stars.

All was quiet. Darkness fell...

He closed the door and started down the stairs. Something crunched loudly under his foot. He stopped, looked down and shook his head wearily. Then he bent down, picked up the smashed syringe and threw it into the garbage chute.

The streets greeted him with the cool wind and the smell of rot. For a while he just stood still, looking around, apparently deciding where to go. He had a patched blue backpack with a big white letter "A" in a circle behind his back. He held the strap with one hand. Nodding slightly and mumbling something unintelligible, he started toward the abandoned building site, one of the dozens alike scattered around new districts.

Earlier this place was a park. People used to come here to walk under the spreading canopy of trees or to relax on the small cozy benches placed along the lanes. Kids from all over the neighborhood came running to the playground that was equipped by the local residents. Everybody loved the place. It was always nice and quiet here...

Now everything is gone. Two years ago the park was walled by a concrete fence - another entertainment center was on the project. At first people protested, arranged rallies and sabotages, wrote request and complaint letters to the authorities. Articles started to appear in the newspapers, television came to shoot a reportage. But all in vain. In the upshot there came a deputy who promised to sort everything out and help people keep their green zone. Though it changed nothing. The concrete fence stayed where it was and the park was razed to the ground. Later it turned

out that the investor had gone bankrupt and ceased financing. So now the project is frozen and the park is gone.

He took a torch out of his backpack and lit the fence. Only yesterday he painted it on the perimeter. Slogans and calls, words of protest - and everything to just say: «Wake up, people! ». But today everything is already painted over and glued up. Did anyone manage to read it at all? Did he manage to wake anybody up?

Maybe it's all for nothing. Truth is always inconvenient, because people are used to comfort. They were told they must love comfort and they believed. It's easier this way...

Maybe it's all for nothing. But tomorrow he's going to get his paint cylinder out again.

He heard a quiet rustling somewhere nearby. It was a rat digging in the garbage heap. With its little paws it was trying to find some food among the slops. Garbage is all around here. Streets, yards, houses and public gardens: everything is literally buried under the mounts of garbage. Corks, bottles, wrappers, leftovers and other kinds of consumption and whoredom wastes. This city is going to choke with garbage. This city has already become a dump.

The moon disappeared behind a shroud of black clouds.

For a while he just stood there looking up as if trying to see something. He closed his eyes with a grin on his face, waited for the stupor to pass and went further. He was walking with the hands in his pockets looking at his feet, anxiously glancing around from time to time. But without noticing anything interesting, he lowered his eyes on the road again.

Ten minutes passed. Suddenly he found himself in front of a large building. It used to be a veterinary clinic one day, but now - a fur salon. There was a huge transparent shop window followed by a set of mannequins in various poses, dressed in fur and sheepskin coats. This was a spacious hall in hues of beige decorated with mirrors and posters of silicon models dressed in furs. The advertising said: "natural fur at a reasonable price..."

At this point he felt a surge of fury. Clenching his fists he watched the luxury of the shop from under his brows. Anger outshone his consciousness. He grabbed the first stone he found and threw it into

the shop window with all his strength. Sound of broken glass was heard on the street. What a nice sound. The alarm went off screaming monotonously. He ran into the shop and started to destroy everything on end. With his hands and feet he was breaking the mannequins and the mirrors, ripping posters from the walls. Methodically he was destroying everything that came on hand, while shouting something evil, bursting into animal growl. Only as soon as he heard the howl of police sirens at the distance he took to his heels.

The walls were flashing from all sides. Everything he wrote there - everything is painted over and glued up. The leaflets he printed during the evenings and distributed among the people on the streets lay crumpled on driveways or in trashcans. How long is it since his attempts to wake people up are being smothered? How long is he trying to get a hearing? But the city's fallen asleep and he's the only one awake in it. He's the only one...

Finally he stopped, got his breath and sat down right on the grass. He hugged his knees and hung his head. It grew colder...

What for? Why? For whom? He's but an alien, a bright spot in this city. Isn't it high time to wash the paint off? Maybe it's time to surrender? Time to become a part of resigned masses, fed by corrupt politicians and capitalists, raised on shameless lie of television and newspapers. Time to stop thinking, asking for



answers, time to stop creating. Time to do and give whatever they command. Eat, sleep and work. Work, eat and sleep. Because he's just tired, too tired...

He felt something warm touch his leg, raised his head and saw a dog. It was gray and shabby and looked incredibly hungry. When the man noticed it the dog started wagging his bare tail and whimpering softly.

Want something to eat, huh? Wait here, I'll be back.

He got up, cleaned his jeans and said, shaking his finger at the dog:

Wait right here.

The dog sat obediently on the ground.

He walked limping heavily on his right foot. He probably injured it while destroying the mannequins or maybe while running away from the police.

Self-service supermarket. Opened 24 hours a day. There are a lot of them here now.

He opened the door and went in, slightly squinting in the bright light. A guard was sleeping in a chair by the entrance – a 45-year-old man with weekly stubble on his face. Softly, trying not to wake the guard, he moved forward. Wandering between the endless rows of shelves, he finally found what he was looking for. He picked up a pack of dog food and cautiously walked to the exit through the checkout counter. Cashier – an elderly, stout woman – rose from her seat and wanted to say something, but remained silent

in embarrassment. She sunk back into her chair and puzzled she followed him to the exit with her eyes.

The dog was waiting for him at the same place.

Here you go; I've bought something for you.

He emptied the food out on the ground, folded the pack and put it in his pocket. After the dog finished the food he sat nearby.

The city was asleep. No window lights. No passersby on the streets. Silence and dark all around. Maybe it will always remain like this. Maybe he'll stay alone without getting a hearing. He didn't want to think about it. But he knew for sure he'll keep on trying again and again. He knew that tomorrow once again he's going to write on shop and house walls, no matter if it all would be scraped off and painted over. Someone, at least, will manage to notice that and maybe even think about it. He's alone, but he will never give up...

Never!

The man jumped to his feet abruptly. With a firm step he started his way into the distance, to the horizon, looking far ahead with his chin raised proudly. The dog was trotting next to him. They walked towards the trembling city. The lame man and the mangy dog...

It started to rain.

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18.04.2011

A recipe for an ideal world

The alarm clock started jingling an ear-wounding melody. Eugene turned off the unpleasant sound and stared at the noise source, which stood beside the bed. The clock said 7 a.m., and the sun had already made it to slip its warm beams into the tiny room. Sunday morning. A weekend. Not for everybody, though...

Eugene stood up, had a wash, made a cup of coffee and put the hot cup on the desk, turning on the computer with his foot at the same time. A pack of sheets clipped together were lying on the table. On the first page it was written with huge letters: "The Ideal World". It was a novel, over which Eugene had been sweating every day for the last three months. It's all because a new publisher's house, which had appeared not long before that, declared a competition and promised an enormous money prize to the winner. And now after long and hard work the novel was ready and had been already sent to the redactor's judgement.

A clean Word window appeared on the screen, and



the writer's fingers started to wap upon the keyboard. Yet he didn't manage to write anything more than two sentences. Eugene just couldn't cope with concentrating on the work. He launched a browser and opened the "World" publisher's house front page to look at the condition of the competition once more. Writers were required to create a new ideal reality, and the organizers, in their turn, promised to check every manuscript sent in and to disclose the decision within 24 hours.

Eugene tried to write some more, but the result stayed the same. Again and again he glanced at the phone with a hope alert, until, lo and behold, it rang.

The writer grabbed the receiver with his shivering hands and pressed the blinking green button.

— Hallo?

— Good morning, may I speak to Eugene? — a quiet feminine voice sounded.

— That's me.

— Good morning once more. I represent the "World" publisher's house, where you have sent your novel. We are ready to sign a contract with you.

Eugene sat utterly speechless. He tried to answer something, but a bone appeared in his throat.

— Hallo, are you still there? — the voice from the receiver sounded again.

— Yes, sure. I just didn't expect...

— I understand: one doesn't get such news every day. Our director wishes to meet you personally in the "Little Italy" restaurant. Which time is suitable for you?

— Any time you like! — a smile shone on the writer's face.

— Alright, a car will pick you up in an hour then. All the best.

— A car? Hey, wait, — but the receiver already started beeping.

Eugene walked to the wardrobe. The upcoming meeting could have turned all his life upside down, so he had to make a good impression, but after having a look at the rubbish, which lied on the shelf, Eugene washed out discontentedly and took the first coming shirt and jeans. Forty minutes later he stood at the drop-off, where a car had already been waiting for him. It was a stretched white limousine. A heavyset man in black suite went out of it and invited Eugene to sit in the car with a gesture.

They arrived. Eugene went into the restaurant. A dark hall, small round tables placed along the walls. Over every one a painting, shedding bright light, hanged — just like windows to Italy. The restaurant was empty. But at one of the tables a heavyset man sat,

about fifty years and dressed in a severe grey suit. It was obvious that it was a really serious business-like man, who is not used to spend time in vain. He waved his hand to the incomer, inviting him to sit down.

— Good afternoon, — Eugene said, sitting down at his table.

— Good afternoon, my name is Vladimir*. Well, let's get straight to business. There's still much to do, and so little time. To begin with, let's talk about your book. I have enjoyed it much. An ideal world is just what we need. We will publish the novel, but there is a single nuance. You will have to copy every page by hand.

— Copy? But why?

— You see, we've already got a book, but it has blank pages, which you'll have to fill. It represents something like a new Bible.

— A new Bible? Somehow I don't understand anything...

— That's not important anyway, — Vladimir got from his case some documents and a sheet of paper, on which he wrote as near as a nine-digit number. — That's the sum you're going to get, if you accede all our contractually agreed clauses.

Eugene took the contract in his hands. Besides the conditions, mentioned by Vladimir, there was an accommodation point. There was a huge room with all the facilities given, food and drinks — whatever is desired.

— There's an accommodation matter here, but I don't want to move anywhere, — Eugene said looking at Vladimir.

— But you live in the city outskirts in a one-roomed flat, and I offer you a huge three-roomed one in the downtown, with all the renovations completed. Would not it be foolish to reject?

Eugene gave a shrug of the shoulders and put his signature in the paper.

— Well, it's high time for us, — Vladimir stood up out of the table. — Let's go with me.

— Already? — Eugene asked.

— Yes, sure, get into the car, I'll give you a lift to our company building. That's where you are going to live since now. You'll be met by my employee. He is up to explain you what is what. Meanwhile I'm going to deal with some more business.

They drove to the tallest building in St-Petersburg. It was an ordinary skyscraper, which would feel rather suitable in New York. The only thing that attracted attention in it — but its height — were huge oak doors.

Eugene dismounted from the car. At the door he was met by a man in a brown robe with a golden hood thrown on his head.

—Good afternoon. Let's go in, — he said and opened the doors.

Eugene found himself inside. What he saw was unbelievable — as if he went in a medieval castle. Grey stone walls and flaring torches on the walls. A red plushy carpet on the floor, stretching from the entrance to the lift. And above the lift there were huge golden digits. It was a date. August 29th, 2011.

—Hey, that's today, — Eugene said, pointing at the digits. — What does it mean?

—Today is a great day, — the man in the hood answered.

—Which day? Where are we? Is this a kind of a sect?

—Come on, why so rudely? People who believe that today is going to be the day of the doom have assembled here. And it is definitely going to be one; this building will be the only place untouched.

—Seriously? — no answer followed. They entered the lift.

—In total, we have sixty two floors. The first thirty are living quarters and an entertainment center: a swimming pool, a bowling alley, billiards and everything made for entertaining. Then thirty floors are a culture collection of the whole world: books, paintings, statues and so on. The floor next tot the last is yours. It will be furnished as you wish.

—The whole floor? — Eugene was surprised. — Why so much?

—You play a very important role in our mission. All the best is for you.

—Are you crazy? A room would be quite enough for me.

The man in the hood didn't reply anything. He walked out of the lift and led Eugene to his room. In the middle there was a big sofa, a grand flat-display TV hanged on the wall in front. A billiard table in the corner and instead of a wall fencing the room from outside there was a great window.

—As we have already said, you may change anything you want in the room. Just say it, — the man in the hood said, but Eugene slurred it over. — You may rest a couple of hours. We'll drop in later.

He left. Eugene moved the sofa close to the window and sat to look at the world. The whole city was exposed in front of him, as well as all its vices: factories' smoke poisoning the air, crimes and people hurrying home because of the oncoming night — and it's the most dangerous time. Did Eugene see all this? No. Despite the immense height, he could see every detail in the city; he saw only good things, however. Young guy with a girl walked down a street hand in hand and at times they stopped to kiss. Friends going from a gig singing songs.

And in about two alleys from them a kid rushed a bike. A bag, in which there were paint spray cans, hanged on his shoulder. He rode to a very old ramshackle brick wall, got the paint out and started drawing.

He finished his painting. Really fast, it took him about just twenty minutes. Eugene watched every detail appear. The painting was wonderful. It was an open door to stars, planet and galaxies...

There was a knock in the door, and Vladimir entered the room:

—Hello. It's time for us to go.

—It's midnight. And no day of the doom, — Eugene said with a smile on his face.

—Just look out the window.

Eugene glanced out the window again. The sky wasn't moving, there was no wind, the painter just stood still and the young couple froze kissing.

—What? Did you carry this out?

—Yes. Let's go.

They entered the lift and went to the last floor.

There was a round hall with five leather armchairs. Three men dressed in black robes stood beside the window in a row. One of them had a golden hood. He looked at the incomers and sat on the armchair. Vladimir and two more men joined him. One of them held a guitar, and the other one held a painting limned by him.

—Why are you standing there? Take a vacant seat, a magnificent performance is about to begin, — Vladimir said.

Eugene sat in the armchair. Meanwhile one of the men stood up. He took his guitar and stood in the middle of the room.

—This is our musician! — Vladimir exclaimed. — Just like the painter, he was creating for us. We promised him a great amount of money. Vendible art! What else could demolish the world?

The first attack at the strings. Then again and again! The music tempo got up such speed that it appeared to be impossible to catch up with it. The pick tumbled to the ground and the fingers started playing a liquid plunk. An innumerable amount of thin white threads broke out of the guitar. They flew out of the window and mantled the whole planet like a net. Then they zoomed into the sky, where they raveled out through the whole universe. This time the musician attacked at the threads and all the world got torn to shreds.

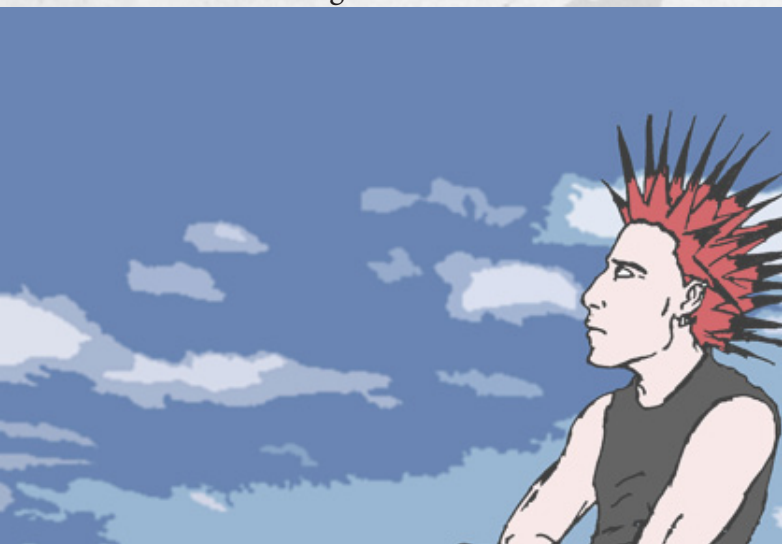
Then there was the turn of the painter. He put his painting on an easel and slipped his hands into the pockets to find the brush and the coloring. Before he got them out, rolls of bank notes lied thoroughly on the table. At last, the painter put the coloring and the

brush on the table and money landed in his pockets again. He plunged the brush into the black color and painted the whole picture out. Everything disappeared in a moment. Blind darkness and nothing else. Only in the building there was light.

Eugene stood up and walked to the window. His eyes were full of dread and sorrow.

—Everything is demolished. You have demolished everything...

—As promised. Now it's your turn. Take a pen and create. Compose a new world! — Vladimir said and came close to Eugene — You don't need to create



anything, though. There is everything in your novel. Come on, there's the book on the table. Form an ideal world, and we will box life in it!

—You idiot! — Eugene shouted. — Everything I've changed in the novel were the people. What for do I need to create an ideal world, when there is already one? Look at yourself. A man hungering after power who has bought everything and that's still not enough for you! You created religion, cheated so much people by promising to save them from the end of the world, sure enough building it up. 'Cause you don't give a shit about the world, you only want to pull it in under your dominion!

—You're right, Vladimir said and shrugged his shoulders. — But is it bad? Yes, I will reign, but there will be no more wars, no more hunger. And the people we have cheated will be happy. They will get everything they could only dream about.

—Their dreams are money and comfort. They need nothing more. Look at them, — he pointed at the painter and the musician who were sitting and counting their money. — Your world is going to be dead, not ideal.

—Anyhow, you've got no choice. You have signed the contract and there is no escape for you. You won't even be able to kill yourself as death, just like time, is

already in my hands.

Vladimir sat into the armchair with a beatific smile looked at Eugene.

—Alright. I will write. I will create.

He walked to the book, got a pen out of his pocket and wrote the first line. No more money! The painter and the musician started screaming. Money was disappearing in front of their eyes. They grasped at it, raked it together willing to prevent money vanishing, but as a result they vanished with it. The next line. No more religion! The man in the hood evanesced burning and turning into ash. Vladimir rushed at his dust.

—My god, what have you done! I won't be able to create anything without him! And you... you won't create anything as well, — Vladimir said and ran out at the balcony. — No! The building is collapsing floor by floor. We've got a minute left. You have destroyed everything!

—You're the next one, — Eugene said and drew one more line. No more authority! Vladimir nestled his back up the wall aghast and vanished in a bright flash of light.

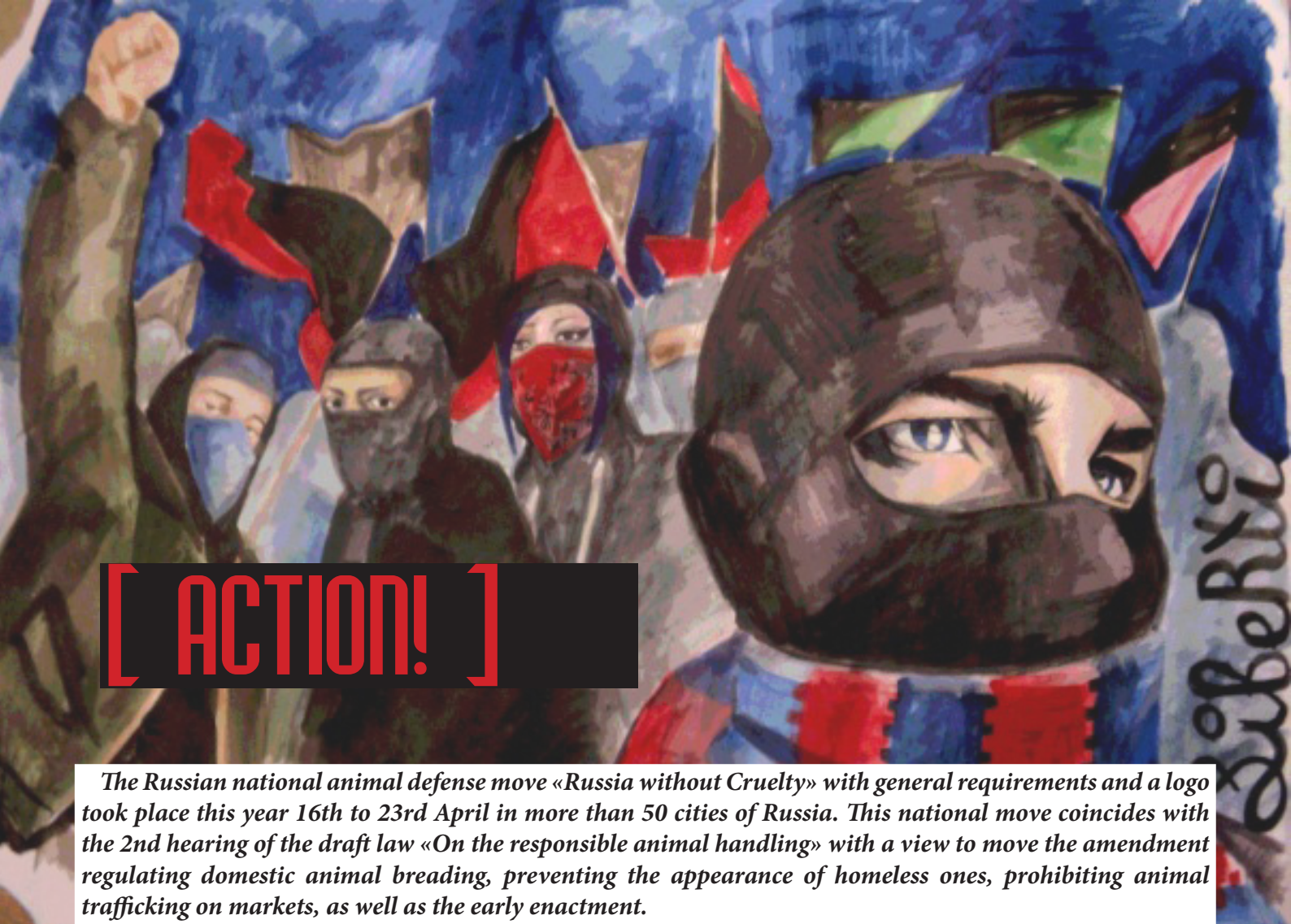
Eugene threw away the pen and walked out at the balcony to see all the void waiting for him. This is it. And can it be true that God who could prevent this all doesn't exist? A tiny shining spot appeared in the darkness. Eugene narrowed his lids and saw that it's the very same painting drawn on the brick wall. But this time there was no wall. The picture just wafted in the darkness.

Eugene remembered Vladimir's words saying that the world can be destroyed by soulless art. What if there is another way out? Maybe humanity still has a chance! He ran into the room, got the guitar and went out to the balcony again. It is necessary to play something, there's only little time left. But Eugene couldn't make up what exactly. He recalled! It is a beautiful melody, and its first chord Eugene still had time to play...

«The lovely world we dream about
Knows no envy, no plunder, and no sway,
War does not put any fear in the heart
Because there will definitely be no motive to slay.
Since we believe in that the dream becomes reality
We've got a chance! Or otherwise...

The end is near! The end is for us!
Look for redemption only inside us!
Faith, don't leave us in forlornness!
We've got a choice to make — we've got a chance!»

Viktor Orlov



The Russian national animal defense move «Russia without Cruelty» with general requirements and a logo took place this year 16th to 23rd April in more than 50 cities of Russia. This national move coincides with the 2nd hearing of the draft law «On the responsible animal handling» with a view to move the amendment regulating domestic animal breeding, preventing the appearance of homeless ones, prohibiting animal trafficking on markets, as well as the early enactment.

Public Rally against Animal Cruelty in Belgorod

The Public rally within the framework of the third Russian national move to support homeless animals “Russia without Cruelty” took place on April 17th in the city of Belgorod. The arrangement of the event was taken upon the “Predannost” (Devotion), humane society of Belgorod.

«There will never be peace among the men, whose hearts seek pleasure in killing other beings» Rachel Carson

The move started at 11 a.m. at the entrance to the Lenin’s central park. Despite the early hour there were enough of those who care: parents and children, elderly people, but the backbone constituted of young people. The involvement of Belgorod’s anarchists in organizing and carrying out the move was also active. Within a few weeks they went on the stump through the streets of the city, handing out leaflets and gluing stickers. Their presence was denoted by black and green flags, symbolizing the unity and solidarity of free people with nature.

In fact, the rally itself was held in an usual manner. The members of “Devotion” humane society took turns to talk on problems of stray animals. There happened to pile quite a number of the problems: shooting dogs and cats on the streets, their brutal treatment in city shelters for homeless animals, and total indifference of the government, of course. “Devotion” humane society has been waiting for an animal shelter lot for over a year with all the necessary documents on hand. However, the city administration is particularly interested neither in the problems of citizens nor the animals. The arranger of the move read out the written refusal of the officials to provide the town with the land for the orphanage. Obviously, it’s much easier to solve problems by spilling the blood of innocent animals than to try and resolve them in a different, human way.

One of the most interesting moments of the rally had to be a theatrical turn reflecting the relationship between the citizens and the state’s henchmen. With the main characters of the turn to be: a taxpayer, an official and a cop. But the first minutes of the turn

were interrupted by the “scums”. As the saying goes, nothing hurts like truth. Policemen in private clothes were a real thorn in the flesh during the whole action. They walked though the “dissenters”, annoyed them with dumb questions and compliments (like “good job, guys”), took pictures and shoot videos. In short, they looked for extremists or terrorists as they always do!

Between the speeches of “Devotion” humane society members the protesters chanted: “no shooting of stray animals!”, “we’re against animal cruelty!”, “the city needs animal shelter!” and so on. Nearby there was a table with donation box for an animal orphanage and a signature journal book. Passers-by willingly signed

the book and contributed to the common cause. Each of them lent much more convincing assistance than the local officials.

To sum up, we can safely say that the move has been a success. This time there gathered more people than last year and the passers-by took an active part in the move, which could only please. What is more, this wasn’t even expected from an authorized rally.

Comrade Jah

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Related web-sites:

<http://saveanimals.ru> <http://zhestokosti.net/>

FREE MARKET! Really Free market

It is known that things have a tendency to accumulate. Everyone is familiar with the situation when bookcases, shelves, wardrobes are full of goods, almost new things, but these things don’t cause us concern. The books become read, the disks become auditioned. In addition, people tend to accumulate the unnecessary - hence those mountains of things that lie in our apartments as dead weight. Grudge to throw away, “suddenly ever again will be put on” – and it doesn’t matter that this moment will never come, but have nowhere to store. Exactly in this situation the Really Free Market saves. The word «free» in the title makes it clear that you can not pay for the things and the services here; the main thing is to observe a few rules:

1. Each participant can bring the things that he wants to give to others, or to offer them services.
2. Trade is not allowed - all things and services are free.
3. Anyone can take what they need.
4. If two people want to take one thing, the dispute is solved by dropping the «stone-paper-scissors.»

The founders of the movement are members of the South-West Anarchist Network (SeaNET). The First Free Market was held in 2004 during the protests against Free Trade Area in America (FTAA). The first Free Market in Moscow took place in 2008, they gradually began to appear in other cities, gradually replacing or replenishing more / logically developing the initiative Food Not Bomb’s.

5. If many people want to use this or that service, the participant sets the turn.

In addition to sharing things at a Free Market everyone can show their special talents and skills: cooking food, braided dreadlocks, a hairstyle, making toys and any other things that you are ready to teach those who come. Here you can treat people with food cooked at home or eat vegetarian dishes brought by other participants, play in a variety of desktop and active plays. Also an integral part of a Free Market is the music: DJs and musicians.

No need to list – a Free Market is open to any ideas and initiatives. To tell about medicinal plants of middle band, find a new owner to your piano, to multiply five-digit numbers in mind - there is no limit to what can be done at a Free Market. Of course, for free.

To avoid unsubstantiated theory, I managed to put some questions to the organizers of the Moscow Free Market to find out details of Free Markets organization:

What is the main concept of a true free market?

Denis: A gift to a gift, nothing goes to my head, because I have repeatedly answered. In principle, this could be viewed as an anti-capitalist initiative (exchange of things and skills without money relations), and just as a new format of a pastime with a proper massage, when people stay consumers, but they do not get new things and try to find something unusual on our shelves.

who want to do something and hang out, get a useful get-together and experience in organizing. Those who try not to consume too much, get this opportunity. Among us there are both lovely girls and severe activists. Many people are happy!

What are the results at the moment?

Denis: During the last year our markets of mutual help passed at least once a month at various locations. In addition to exchange of books, clothes, food and



Sveta: It is also a way to invite people to participate in an event, not a visitor. Share what you know how, for many people it is valuable. It changes people.

How do participants implement themselves and why?

Denis: Personally I take almost nothing at a Free Market, because I spend all time on counting the visitors, communicating with administration and coordination of activities. However, keeping in mind my distressful situation and the desire to take something, I was given more than one pair of jeans and cool T-shirts.

Sveta: Those who are in the ideology, get their anti-capitalist and environmental practices. Those

trinkets, at these events you can learn how to provide first medical aid, to make by hand children's crafts, to cut, cook delicious things.

Views of movies, blabla about the environment and self-organization have become traditional. It would be ideal if in certain places in a particular area of a city free markets would be held every month, and the current team would be engaged in the events coverage. Again, the downside is that we move from hummock to hummock, and the old woman-dandelions, and the Tajiks in orange robes, and mothers with many children can't come to us on a regular basis.

How can other people organize: buildings/agitation?

Denis: In summer you can do it in a park, in winter - in a friendly school, a recreation center or a club. The

main thing is to explain the principle of free giving to the leadership of the premises, to report that the organizers don't get income from this. Usually good sites (galleries, museums, clubs, cafes, libraries) aren't against such an interesting event, all the sites are easily provided to us for free. The information about events is spread via LJ / contact of our group, as well as through friendly communities. In the case of local events we hang the posters on the busy intersections with a detailed explanation of what is what, what is possible to bring and what is not, that everything is free, but it isn't a holiday freebie. We work closely with the local newspaper, put the same free trash in mailboxes.

Sveta: It's great to hang posters in the «key places»: for local markets these are grocery stores, bus stops and yard bulletin boards (only on agreement with a yardmen), for urban markets – fashion cafes and clubs, leisure centers and institutes.

What should one do with the things left after a Free Market?

Denis: First of all, we try to weed out the things that are in any case remain – torn, crumpled and very well-worn things. Our goal is not that people just free their mezzanines, but that they would be able to give these things to other guests. The remained things are usually hand over to charities, volunteers of which collect clothes for the homeless and migrants. Rags go as mats to dog shelters.

Sveta: If you started your Free Market it's better to take care of this matter in advance: some funds may pick up things themselves, but in some cases you need to carry them by yourself: the things left usually weigh more than an organizing group can carry, you need a car/pedicabs/ox team.

If this is the case, please, write/visit – we will help:
reallyfreemarket.tumblr.com
vkontakte.ru/club19352446
really-free.livejournal.com/

Translation and scoring of films

Hello guys! Hello PunkWay, hi to all the hip tough radical subculture kids! (The zine is foremost subcultural, isn't it?)

We are RASH Gorky Crew, and we have lately begun translating and even synchronizing some interesting movies, for which professional translators from the Mosfilm studio don't have time. For the moment, two killer blockbusters have been synchronized by us: 'Antifa: Chasseurs de skins', 'Hardcore: more than music' and a shocking TV-show about the first SHARP subculture guys.

We came to this really simply - one of our tough comrades just came round and said: 'Dudes, I've got an idea!' and stated his fiendish plans. We supported this intention enthusiastically and basically it went up and running. For the beginning we tried our hand at 'Antifa: chasseurs de skins' and the result gladdened us all, as it's just great to watch a movie about guys same as us, and their speaking is sounded by your mates, with which you fought shoulder to shoulder in the streets, stood in a picketing, marched in a protest meeting, made crook business, chilled at the gigs, even

bummed cigarettes... That's just fucking awesome, admit it!

During the sounding of the 1st as well as all the other movies there was a lot of fun and interesting moments, but this is better for the next time. Besides I can only add that this is a really demanding time consuming expensive process, if you do it like we did, at a professional studio. But the result is surely worth it. We sincerely hope that the films sounded by us will affect people who are full of stereotypes about skinhead,



hardcore and punk cultures, the journalists who often don't catch on anything at all, the nazis (for them to know what they are trying to steal) and above all the rising generation of this losing northern country so that they grew up good, fine, positive people without any shit in their heads.

Well, naturally, we've got extensive plans; I'm not even in touch with all of them. If all goes right, we'll keep on gladdening everyone who is interested in good soundings for asskicking movies. I guess that's it, if briefly. Thanks for attention, everyone! I don't want to trench upon your time anymore, go make something useful and interesting!

How to do this:

1. Translate the text
2. Share it among the people
3. Earn money for the studio recording
(we've been recording an-hour-and-a-half film for two nights)
- 3.1. You can make the record up at home as well; you need a good mic for this (and a really good studio one is about to cost really much...) and a skill on some sound redacting program..

RASH Gorky Crew

<http://vk.com/rash.gorky.crew>

The analysis of the campaign "Russian running"

The main point.

At the beginning of 2011 Russian nationalists invented a new campaign to win over new people to their side. It is called "Russian running". In contrast to their usual agitation, where they avowedly declared their xenophobic principles, this campaign was rather moderate and because of that drew a big amount of people. That was the most dangerous this in their campaign for us, though the worst anxieties didn't justified.

The founder and ideological leader of the running is Michael Melnikov. Rather adequate and educated nationalist who realizes that at the moment they'd better act at the legal sphere, covering up with so called "wholesome nationalism", with the purpose of sanitation of Russian nation and return of our cultural roots. Though the administrator himself is subscribed to "Right news", "Black Sotnya", he is listening to the same neo-nazi music as all other nazis. So we can draw a conclusion that there is a concealed divergence between goals and methods of the campaign.

What profit did nationalists gain from those actions:

- Mass-media attention.
- Popularization of the imperial flag, as the flag of positive, constructive political forces.
- Attraction of new activists on their side.
- Discussion with a large quantity of people



different social problems from the Right positions.

A proper tactics — half of a victory

The position of nationalists in this drive allows them to win in almost any case. If the running was a success, then benefits are obvious and described

above. If they didn't manage to prepare to it properly, then at least there are people who got information about it, and they somehow can join the movement or find like-(narrow)minded persons. If it was spoilt by police or anarchist attack, they could easily blame their opponents as an anti-people's force. We live in a post-industrial society and information plays the main role. It's possible to pose the most miserable act as a heroism, or to pose anarchist-antifascists, attacking neo-nazis as alcoholics, who help the world government. Any marasmic, contradictory idea can be promoted among the mass and adequate opinions of the ones will be lost in the flow of lies and won't be heard. "The lie repeated 1000 times becomes the truth." As George Orwell wrote in his book "1984". Most of the anarchist and antifascists didn't take into account these factors in their activity. Obviously, nor clear aims were set, nor ways of realization, nor ideas how to advertise yourself after a success action.

Successes and failures

Probably the first famous attack on "Russian running" (it's more correct to call it "Right running") was carried out in Ufa. 5 straight-edgers shot a video where nationalists gather with imperial flags. After that with a funny background music they attack them and as a result all the opponents are down and assure that they would never go their again. Antifascists used only capsicum balloon and their fists. The amount of people was the same. Except the video, were no other sources. Because of that it was easy for nationalists to tell a tale how 20 men with armatures attacked them. Result: - a great number of references like "antifascists



spreaded very quickly, and silence from the side of antifascists redoubled the problem.

After that the same happened in Kazan. The nationalists invented a circulation like that "radical-left inter-nazi-antirussian gang "Antifa" and Caucasians" attacked them. Though everyone knows that there is no any organization called "Antifa" and more over any nazi, anti-russian views among radical-left people. The same way as "Caucasian nationality" because this concept contains many different nationalities. Again no answers from antifascist's side, as a result – a loss in information war.

At the beginning of February in Serpuhov anarchists from Kurskaya Vetka made their own running, joining other runners (the amount of nationalists was too small). Running carried out severally because of the difference in slogans. This action was widely spread on anarchist's news sites, a bit less on right sites. As a whole there was a certain resonance not only among anarchists but also among our opponents. Extensive discussion didn't appear because Michael Melnikov censored everything, realizing what could happen as a result (the information victory of antifascists). The reason: Russian runnings are outside of the politics.

- Why there are imperial flags at the runnings? It's a symbology of nationalists organizations.
- We don't know anything, these are Russian flags only.

Palm moves to face, but there is nothing we can do, playing at the enemy's pole.

Nevertheless some people translated the review from Russian into English and Serbian, and because of that resonance was reached (by the way during 2 days more than after activity of one nationalist's group). After that there was a discussion, our aims were explained and myths are refuted. There were some more runnings but soon came to end, because nationalist advocacy can't stand against anticapitalist.

The result: estimation of most antifascists,



«Inglourious Basterds»

showed their anti-russian essence again" and so on. The Right love that myth very much and this news

astonishment of nazis, social resonance, positive image of anarchists, local ideological victory. And all those pros are gained on the enemy's pole. Most of us have to overcome the fear of using enemy's strategy. There is no their culture and their methods. If something develops well, we must join it, explain out point of view and not lock ourselves in our sect, making straight edge concerts which are closed for the people outside of the scene. You are in politics? Use your head, think about pros and cons of every your action.

The adventures of Kurskaya vetka didn't end. Kursk and Obninsk didn't take a baton of Serpuhov but decided to attack their opponents. As I've already said it's rather dangerous tactics. But nevertheless if they decided so they had to do it better than the previous ones. And it was done successfully. The review (you can see the reference in the end of article) was full of trolling and as a result a great resonance was gained. To the moment when Kursk's nazis decided to make a tale how they were attacked by 15 people, we managed to spread the real information. Kursk's nationalists decided not to continue tearful tactics. Obninsk's brother-in-arms of them from nationalist organization "Russian Image" decided to do it. They wrote an article where they tell how sweet anti-russian gay activists of Antifa attacked their colleagues. They gain a new portion of trolling and lost.

The last here will be attack on the running held in Nizhny Novgorod. Antifascists and anarchists made a funny video where a little group of antifascists chased a crowd of nazi-hardbassers throwing snowballs. Right kept silence. Antifascists had lots of fun but not more.

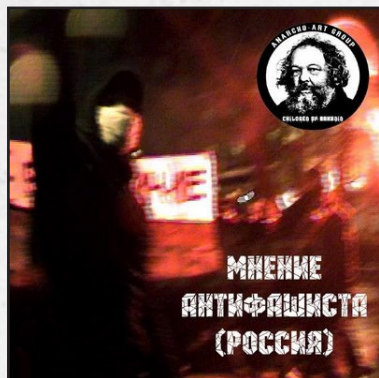
To sum it up?

What we must learn from this review? Down with prejudices! There are no "right" methods. You are straight edge? Make a good anticapitalist action. It would be better than visit hardcore concert. You are anarchist? Anarchism is politics. Politics demands being able to see farther than your own nose, so think over every your action. Ask friend's advice. Make good reports. Make actions not for yourself and your friends but for the people who are away from antifascist anarchist scene. Politics mustn't be boring, so write with humour, shoot with humour to interest people from aside. I will end here, I hope someone will find something useful here.

Deep

Links:

- <http://www.goslyudi.ru/blog/vkryukov/44700/> - Attack on miserable "Rights" in Kazan.
- <http://www.rusimperia.info/news/id5822.html> - Attack on miserable "Rights" in Kazan.
- http://www.dpni.org/articles/pul_s_blog/20559/ - «Antifascists didn't stop drinking», creative from DPNI
- <http://www.kurskvetka.org/249> - Anarchists participate in running.
- <http://www.kurskvetka.org/394> - The report about attack on running in Obninsk and Kursk.
- <http://www.kurskvetka.org/422> - The answer on provocation from "Russian Image"



Antifascist Attitude (2008)

Anti-fascist attitude is first ever document on emerging Russian anti-fascist movement which made by the activist themselves. Movie features both moderate NGO activists and radical grassroots activists and anarchists from three cities - Moscow, St. Petersburg and Irkutsk.

It also features Stanislav Markelov, murdered in Moscow 19th of January.

<http://fuckcopyright.blogspot.com/2009/03/antifascist-attitude-2008.html>

Round table conference devoted to extremism resistance



An event arranged by Extremism Liquidation Center took place on the 14th of April in Belgorod. It was called «Round table conference devoted to extremism resistance», but we should better call it «Brain washing for youth». The conference took place in Belgorod University, that is why there were plenty of students (including me). Attendance was a measure of compulsion for young men, so all of them seemed to be very bored.

The conference itself was usual: the speakers, one by one, were trying to make the audience scared by «horrible extremism» that «is a great threat for measured life». Nearly 10 speakers brought their reports. They were: Extremism Liquidation Center chief Gennady Khokhlov, representative of the FSS press service, some people from different social structures (such as General Youth Policy Department chief, librarians, etc) and sociologists.

A short documentary was a starting point of the conference. It was a ten-minute movie compiled of videos made by neo-nazis, full of rubbish - something like «skinheads are racists, goths are cannibals, and emos are Mossad¹ agents». Even yoga fans were discredited - they were considered as sectarians. In a nutshell, the idea of this film was the following: «if we don't pay due attention to nowadays youth, they will resist our people and our government, being just small fries defending deceitful and wrong ideas». As for me, I have no comments for that. After watching this film, one should consider the authors just as inadequate people.

As I have already mentioned, the video was a starting point, and then reporters took the floor.

The first one was Gennady Khokhlov. He praised work of his executives, who had been good (in his opinion) in averting disorder at 15th of December in Belgorod. But it's worth argument, I believe: that day antifascists were brought to police station, while neo-nazis just disappeared after calling up the police (it should be mentioned that the action of Dec.15th devoted to killed football fan were organized by neo-nazis). But Mr. Khokhlov didn't highlight this situation in details. (you can learn more at <http://avtonom.org/node/15209> and <http://avtonom.org/node/14418>)

The next issue of Mr. Khokhlov's report was adoption Islam by plenty of young women in Belgorod. His speech was full of religious intolerance, just like ones of some orthodox nationalistic organizations.

Some words are enough to retell Mr. Khokhlov's report in short: «we'll catch you and we'll bang you up».

The other reporters' speeches were full of the same things: youth control is needed; we have great government, and extremism is not an adequate reaction to its actions, but evil imposed by foreigners; the World Wide Web should be limited; school teachers must influence subcultural youth. And so on, and so on...

Also, the conference was attended by priests giving their comments. But nobody gave a f**k about them.

To sum up, I'd like to say that all these round table conferences are just useless waste of time. The government is trying to get rid of all dissenting people. Isn't it fascism? They consider heterodoxy as extremism. By the way, it should be noticed that there

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were no one among reporters who had explained the word «extremism». So, nowadays every sensible person can be considered as an extremist. But while the government is serving up that bullshit, resistance

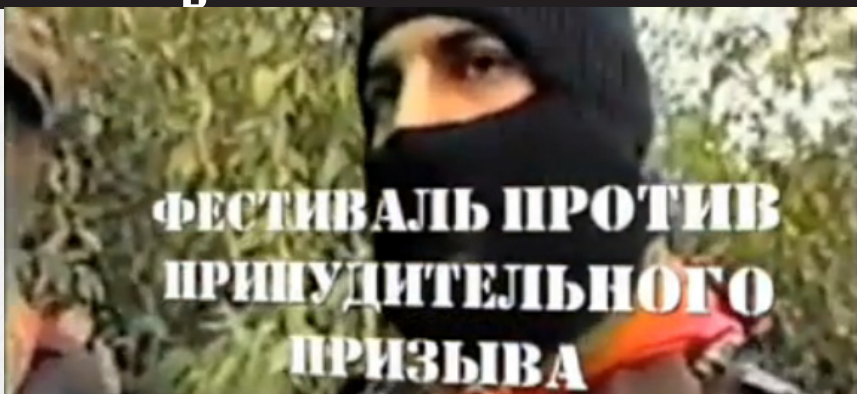
becomes stronger. We won't let threat an adequate riot like «deceitful ideas»!

by Comrade Jah

14.04.2011

Report on the Deserter's Day-2011 festival

Hey-ho, guys! There was the Deserter's Day festival (DD-11) organized by Avtonomnoye Deystviye and sympathizing people. On February, 19th and 20th anarchists, antifascists and just lefties from different cities of Belarus, Russia and Ukraine summited in Moscow.



The amount of participants swung from 40 to 150, dependently on different events on the festival. Sadly, that's not so much in comparison to the previous Deserter's Days... Maybe, the festival's "promotion" failed, and maybe war is not such an actual subject as the fight for social rights and freedom or antifascism. Anyway, those who visited the festival were satisfied, they got new experience, met some old friends and made some new ones.

The first day included interesting lectures and hot discussions. DDD-11 was opened with a seminar "Why I did/did not do military service". The ones who managed to avoid serving shared their experience with those who still have to face it. And those who had already experienced all the beauties of draft slavery narrated about what it is to give one's freedom to the war dogs for a year or two. I suppose that in future we are going to combine all the information we have into one booklet and issue some kind of "Draftee's manual". And if you are already being annoyed by a military establishment office, then I advise you to write an e-mail to the Avtonomnoye Deystviye. After the service/non-service seminar Food Not Bombs activists helped the festival participants with buckwheat, onion and tea. As the guys who served said that food was better than in the army. No one doubted it. What is cooked voluntarily and with heart will always be more delicious than what is cooked under constraint...

The dinner was followed by a discussion report on "What an army should be like". Firstly representatives of different political movements (Avtonomnoye

Deystviye, Vperyod (Forward) Socialistic Movement and one liberal position representative) told about how an army should be organized in their opinion. The AD representative layed stress on an excursion into the historical domain of organization of Makhno's army, CNT's People's Commissariat of Labour's anarcho-syndicalists and sapatists. The report's main messages are the following: army should be completely voluntary, place and duration of the service should be governed by servants themselves and all the duty positions should be elective. "Vperyod" members said that military service should be done by every "conscientious proletarian" in order to struggle against the bourgeois class and to defend revolution's achievements. On the behalf of "protection of the revolution" they appealed to a military service compulsory for one and all, but only once in 19 days, on the other hand. The liberal did not say anything new. He called everyone futurologists and stated that future wars are high-tech wars (everyone agreed on that). Proceeding from this, army should be based on a contract and be professional. According to the liberal, 25% of all the people get nuts because of murder and war, so these men should become professional war dogs and conduct warfare. I personally don't mind one group of professional killers wasting the other with the help of high technologies. But what if a government puts professional killers into stiffling a people's rebellion?

Contract soldiers serve for money. They don't give a damn about people's lives. And if such an army is going to be a bargaining chip for a

government, this card will be played by enemies of freedom and self-organisation sooner or later.

After the reports a hot dispute broke over. It's really hard to transfuse all the emotions with a text. To imagine better what it was all about watch a debates TV show.

Next point in the DD-11 program was a "Pre-trial restrictions: detention in custody. How to behave and what to do if you got to prison" seminar. The Khimki hostage Aleksei Gaskarov told about how it is – to be a political prisoner nowadays, what difficulties can be faced and what set-ups the cops can prepare.

His narration was followed by the 21st century Robin Hood Pavel Delidon. After staying in a penal colony for three and a half years, he gained a lot of experience, which he shared with the meeters.

The main moral that had to be drawn in the seminar is that jail is the same as the world we live in, but it provides no opportunity for distant travelling. In some aspects, jail is far more righteous and honest than the world beyond bolt and bar, and you won't have any troubles provided you stay human.

This seminar adjourned the first day of the festival.

On the second day the participants had to wake up a bit earlier. It began with a knife fighting demonstrational



training. Everyone could try one's hand at it. Knives' wooden replicas were used for this.

Self-defence is a right, not a privilege. We cannot count on cops or war dogs. It is senseless to write more. This needs to have been seen.

"Traumatic weapons: pro et contra" lecture came after

the training. Lecturer Eugene told about how to buy traumatic weapons legally, which certificates should be formalized and which tests have to be passed. Next a top-10 of traumatic pistols and revolvers went on: what advantages and disadvantages every single gun has and where they can be purchased. After the report questions followed one after another. It was clear that the problem is burning and that it excites almost everyone. A full review of traumatic weapons is issued in Made in Moscow zine #3.



The lecture gave place to another FNB dinner. The second day gladdened with a diverse menu. There were soup and pasta with soymeat at option. Thank you for cooking so deliciously, guys!

After the dinner a film "War made easy" was shown; its concept is that any war occurs due to the big business interests. The movie can be found here: <http://socfilm.ru/?p=951>

The film changed into a concert, where the following bands appeared: PolitZek (anarcho-chañon, Moscow), Ossnake (acoustic anarcho-rap, Stary Oskol), No One Else (fine social-violent punk-rock, Moscow), Dvigatel Revolyutsii (post-bard singing, Nizhni Novgorod) and Elektricheskiye Partizany (anarcho-rock, St-Petersburg). It's really better to see once than to count twice!

Dezserter's Day 2011 went off with a bang! Thanks to everyone who participated in organisation, to all the movements and bands who supported the festival, and ultimately to EVERYONE who came to participate DD-11. Without you, the festival would make no sense!

Moscow AD member
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Report on the Forum «Libcom-2011»

From time to time, anarchists and other anti-authoritarian need to meet, discuss the results and prospects of our movement, as well as to plan new battles. Thereupon the Forum «Libcom-2011» was held this spring in the suburbs of Moscow.

The Forum lasted for three days in the woods outside Moscow, where there were athletic trainings and discussions on important topics, as well as cold nights with warm people in a mini-tent town for about 150 people, formed in the woods. The day before the forum started a tour across the important anarchist places in Moscow for visitors from another town was held.

Tour

Conducted by Peter Ryabov tour was interesting and informative, and lasted for about four hours. During this process, we visited the place where Markelov and Anastasia Baburova were killed ... saw the homestead where Kropotkin lived, and later it became a museum, but now there is an embassy .. Walked to the White House listened to a story about the events of 1993. Saw the house, which the anarchists captured and used as a headquarters during the revolution. There were other places you may see in the video from this tour. After the tour I went to the organizers' friends - wonderful people, thank them for being housed at night and for a great evening.

Tour video:

<http://vimeo.com/23805614>

Long hard way...

Woke up early in the morning we went by train to the station «X». We drove for a long time: two hours, but it was fun. Chatted, laughed and got acquainted with each other. We reached the station and met a couple of people who had arrived earlier. We asked how long it would take us to get to the place – and the answer was: «3 hours». Many of us considered it a mockery and didn't attach particular importance, someone started to wonder angrily, and I laughed at their naivete. Later it turned out that nobody was joking and we really had to go for 3 hours. Nice sport training!



Settling down...

On the forum's place there were people who put up tents, greeting old friends from different cities, which had not met for long time and got acquainted with new ones. We wanted to lie down and have a nap for a couple of hours after the road, but there was no time for rest and soon all gathered to discuss the program and other organizational matters. After that, discussions were initiated and athletic training began. It is difficult now to restore the sequence of events, which filled each day of the forum. Therefore, I will write about the discussions and sports training further. The first day ended with a concert of Dill, who played the guitar his new and old songs on demand, and also told a couple of poems, all were sitting around the campfire and were listening to him, warming frozen feet.

Survived the night

At Libcom it was necessary to bring a tent, sleeping bags and foam, but not everyone had it... I bought a foam, and the rest decided to come to light. Fortunately I spent the night in the Voronezh friends place (great thanks to them), but nights were still extremely cold, and idea of having a good rest failed.

Basis

This time libcome devoted much attention to physical training of anarchists: knife fighting techniques of avoiding your arms being twisted was trained, we had a fight club, jogged in the morning, fired pneumatic weapons and played hardball. We have drawn attention to the theory as well: discussed and refuted the arguments that usually led the Nazis blaming anarchists and anti-fascists in the insolvency of their ideology, we held a lecture which was followed by a discussion regarding squatting, listened to the



movement, the need to create their own infrastructure. Shared positive experience of anarchists from different cities. Heard the story about a new topic for us: FREE MARKET. There was a good lecture about the Anarchist Black Cross (ABC) and direct assistance, the need, methods, principles and techniques of charitable collections for activists. Not without a story about dealing with policemen. There were other lectures and discussions that sometimes occurred between the planned events of the forum=)

Security

Safety of libcom was high enough: since the process of selecting participants, choosing a remote location, turning off cell phones and safety of the camp at night

story from the Belarus on the events occurring in the anarchist movement in their country. Discussed the tactics of the anarchist

(on each night voluntarily a couple of people were chosen and they were given radios and pistols (the rest activists already had them as a rule).

Results

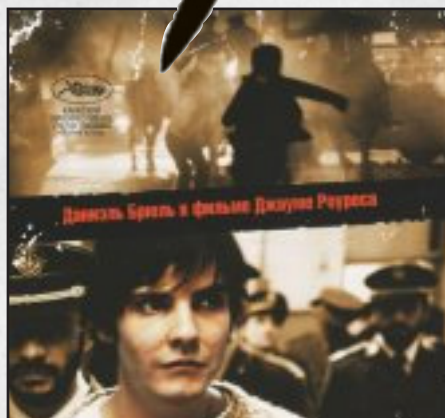
The Forum brought together about 150 anarchists and other antiauthoritarians (there was little of them). I want to share my personal impression: almost all people that visited the forum (young boys and girls, men and women) - all are doing something for this world, and for the movement. A large number of creative people: musicians, artists, poets, and some people feed the homeless in their city, live on the squat, organize concerts, free markets, movies, organize people for visits to orphanages, organize protests, and make websites, write books or magazines. These people are a good example to follow! And at the next forum we hope to see you! ;)

Freedom! Equality! Anarcho-communism!

Миха'nick



Recommend!



Salvador (Puig Antich) - 2006

In the early 1970s, the MIL (Iberian Liberation Movement), an anarchist group made up of young Catalan and French militants, put the police to the test by carrying out a number of bank raids in Catalonia to fund the militant efforts of the workers' movement. After the group had carried out several successful raids, the Brigada Político Social, the thought police of the regime, laid a trap for two militants from the MIL. In the confusion and gunfire that ensued, a young police officer was killed. Salvador was seriously wounded in the attack and, after a spell in hospital, was transferred to the Model Prison awaiting a military tribunal. When the Spanish prime minister Carrero Blanco was assassinated in December 1973, while Salvador was awaiting trial, the Franco regime looked for a scapegoat. The military tribunal turned into a farce and Salvador was condemned to death. Despite all attempts by his sisters and lawyers to earn him a reprieve, he was executed by the garrote on 2nd March 1974. His tragic death left a deep impact on an entire generation who still wonder whether they could have done something to avoid such a dreadful and pointless execution.

Stay tuned!

www.PunkWay.ru - anarcho-punk site

<http://vk.com/punkway> - punkway news

http://vk.com/punkway_zine - punkway zine

<http://facebook.com/pages/Russian-Anarcho-Punk-zine-PunkWay/168988666444858> - on facebook

www.SocFilm.ru - Social films and videos

<http://vk.com/socfilm> - socfilm.ru in vkontakte

PunkWay.ru@gmail.com - PunkWay mail

<http://vk.com/anarcho.news> - «Anarcho News»

<http://vkontakte.ru/club23357495> - Burevestnik TV



<http://www.avtonom.org> - Autonomous Action is a libertarian communist organisation, which has local groups in 14 cities of Belarus, Russia and Ukraine

<http://antifa.ru> - site of russian antifa

<http://belarus.avtonom.org> - site of belarusian anarchists

<http://www.kurskvetka.org> - Black-and-red Kursk branch

<http://blackblocg.info> - News anarchist guerrilla

<http://indymedia.ru> - independent media center

<http://revsoc.org> - site of the Union of Revolutionary Socialists

<http://www.ikd.ru> - institute «Collective action»

<http://mpst.anho.org> - Inter-professional Union of Workers

<http://aitrus.info> - International workers association

<http://sceptsis.ru> - scientific-educational magazine «Skepticism»

<http://www.rabkor.ru> - internet-magazine

<http://antijob.anho.org> - labor resistance

<http://bakunista.nadir.org> - anarcho site

<http://directrussia.org> - self-organized initiative of «Direct Participation»

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